WEATHER SYNOPSIS

Another ocean storm is approaching Northern British Columbia, and heavy rains have extended to the Lower Mainland. Fair, moderately cold weather prevails in the Prairies.

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LEAGUE AWARDS MOSUL AREA TO GREAT BRITAIN

Canada Cuts Fares to Bone To Aid Settlers

Ocean and Railway Transportation Costs Radically Slashed for Approved Immigrants From Britain

Atlantic Rate Reduced to $15

Migrant Under New System Can Travel From Britain to Pacific Coast for $45—Old Rate $150

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—Details of the new Empire Settlement Act, which will offer to agriculturists and house workers from the United Kingdom transportation to destinations in Canada at a lower rate than has been known for a generation, according to the Department of Immigration and Colonization, were made public tonight. That the agreement has been concluded was announced yesterday, but details were meagre.

A comparison between the regular rates and the rates available to Empire settlement passengers, shows remarkable reductions. The following are given as illustrations in the statement handed out this evening, the rates being applicable from any port in the United Kingdom:

Fares Cut to Bone

To Halifax, Saint John or Quebec, regular rate £18 8s; new Empire settlement rate, £3.

To Montreal via Quebec, regular rate, £18 15s 5d, and to Montreal via Saint John or Halifax, regular rate £20 15s, new rate £4.

To Toronto via Quebec, regular rate £21 17s 1d, and to Toronto via Saint John or Halifax, regular rate £22 17s 11d; new rate £4 0s 4d.

To Winnipeg, regular rate £23 19s 2d; new rate £5 10s.

To Regina, regular rate £24 14s 2d; to Moose Jaw, regular rate £25 1s 8d; new rates to these points £6.

To Calgary or Edmonton, regular rate £25 4s 2d; new rate £6 10s.

To Vancouver, regular rate £26 7s 9d; new rate £9.

Three-Cornered Scheme

The new rates payable by the emigrant are possible through a three-way sharing of the cost of transportation, according to the statement.

The cost is borne by: (a) the Canadian Government, (b) the British Government, (c) the steamship lines.

Does Away With Loans

The Department of Immigration expresses the belief that the new [illegible]ment will have the following results:

"It will virtually mean the abolition of passage loans. While such loans will still be available to heads of families, and, under certain circumstances, to horne workers, they will not be available to other classes.

"It will bring the cost of passage to the migrant within the reach of practically all British settlers of the classes sought and will offer a lower rate than has been available for many years.

"It will enable the Empire settlement passenger to land in Canada without overhead debt to be paid.

"It will do away with the high cost of collection of passage loans and cut loss in cases of failure to collect."

Important Forward Step

It is now upwards of three years since the first Empire settlement agreement was entered into between Canada and the Mother Country for the purpose of encouraging British immigration. The first agreement was followed by others more favorable in the way of passage loans, but the department, according to the statement, regards the completion of the present agreement as the most important step yet taken toward encouraging the transfer from Great Britain to Canada of British stock.

From the Colonist Tower

Wednesday, December 16

350th Day, 1925

THE WEATHER

Victoria and Vicinity—Increasing east and south winds, mild with rain.

Sun Rises: 7:59 o'clock.
Sun Sets: 4:18 o'clock.

High Tide: 1:27 p.m., 9.9 feet.
Low Tide: 10:02 p.m., 0.4 foot.

Deep Sea Shipping

Arrival —
Ss. Tyndareus, from Yokohama, 1 p.m.
Departure—
Ss. Niagara, for Australia, 6:30 p.m.

The News

Local and Provincial—
Provincial Government seeks authority to offer immense land grants along line of P.G.E. as inducement to C.N.R., C.P.R. or Dominion Government to take over railway.

Dominion, Imperial and Foreign—
Approved immigrants' fares to Canada from British isles cut to bone under new system.
League of Nations awards Mosul area to Great Britain.
Throngs in London and Berlin dance to Pittsburgh music.

Disputed Territory Goes to British



THE MOSUL AREA

Shown above, which has been in dispute between Great Britain, on behalf of the mandated state of Irak, and Turkey, will be awarded to Irak, the League of Nations Council decided yesterday.

Thousands Dance in Europe As Band Plays at Pittsburgh

Music Broadcast From American City Sets Toes of Britain and Germany Tripping Light Fantastic—Strains of Jazz Band Rebroadcast

LONDON, Dec. 16.—Several thousand persons in England danced for a quarter of an hour early this (Wednesday) morning in public halls to music broadcast from Pittsburgh. The strains were heard distinctly and the dancers enjoyed the unique experience of keeping time to music played more than 3,000 miles away.

London, Manchester, Birmingham and several other cities had arranged dance revels and shared in the enjoyment.

BERLIN, Dec. 16.—Berliners danced to Pittsburgh jazz early this morning. This was the first attempt to rebroadcast American wireless offerings by way of Daventry, England, on a wave length of 1,600 metres.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Tunes were played in New York tonight to set the toes of Europe tripping the light fantastic.

Dance music was broadcast through station WGY at Schenectady for the benefit of dancers in London.

Britain Rapidly Regaining Feet, Says C.N.R. Head

Optimistic Picture of British Financial Conditions Painted by Sir Henry Thornton on Return Home

MONTREAL, Dec. 15.—Returning from a trip to Britain today, Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railways, brought back with him an optimistic view of present day conditions in the Old Country and expressed the opinion that Britain was again on the up grade financially. The British were succeeding in adjusting themselves to the economic conditions caused by the Great War and were again reaching out for a wider share of the world market. The people were in a more contented and optimistic mood. Canada was bound to share in the great degree of prosperity in the Old Country.

Business in Canada Improves

Sir Henry was of the opinion that business in Canada was steadily improving.

Dealing with the question of the Grand Trunk and Grand Trunk Pacific debenture and share holders, which has been the cause for much adverse comment in the Old Country, Sir Henry said the representatives of the English security holders would hold a conference in Montreal in January at which he hoped that the spirit of conciliation will prevail.

Discussing the Canadian National Railway finances, Sir Henry stated that he was working on a plan whereby recommendations would go forward to the Government relative to the debt owed by the railways to the Federal treasury.

$30,000,000 Operating Profit

The Canadian National system, he said, had enjoyed a year of progress and he predicted a net operating profit of some $30,000,000, an amount which, he said, would go a long way toward paying the interest due the public on railway issues.

Sir Henry claimed steady progress for his system and urged that the advances during the past three years constituted an excellent indicatoin of ultimate success.

London to Tear Down Old Waterloo Bridge; New Structure Planned

LONDON, Dec. 15.—To the sorrow of all are lovers, London is to lose its famous Waterloo Bridge across the Thames. The fate of the structure was sealed today by the decision of the London County Council to build a new bridge with not more than five arches and sufficient width to take all lines of vehicular traffic.

Waterloo Bridge was built in 1811-17, at a cost of more than £1,000,000 and has been described as one of the finest in the world. It rests upon nine arches

Grain Permits to Be Issued

WINNIPEG, Dec. 15.—A statement issued this afternoon by the Canadian Pacific Railway makes effective at once the resumption of acceptance of grain for Vancouver under the permit system, in the same manner as handled in previous years, with the understanding that permits issued to exporting firms must bear the endorsation: "No tough or damp grain to be shipped on this permit."

Bandits to Get Lashes

MONTREAL, Dec. 15.—In future, all those found guilty of hold-ups and thefts with violence in the city of Montreal will be punished with the lash as well as with a prison sentence, declared Chief Judge Decarie in the court of sessions today.

Fire Damages Lumber Plant

W. F. Drysdale Co. Sash and Door Factory Scene of Flames

The plant of W. F. Drysdale Company, sash and door factory, at the rear of 1033 North Park Street, was ablaze with flames early this morning and considerable damage was occasioned. While the exact amount of the damage was not definitely known it is expected that it will be close to $5,000. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

The fire started in the dry kiln of the factory, but what the cause of the conflagration was remains unsolved. The plant was the scene of big flames shortly after the outbreak of the fire and these could be seen from many portions of the city. No damage was done to the machinery, the damage being practically confined to the dry kiln and its contents.

The fire department immediately responded to the call to the Drysdale mill and was engaged for an hour with the fire before it was finally entirely extinguished. The damaged portion of the mill will be repaired right away, Mr. Victor R. Carver, manager of the company, told The Colonist this morning.

A large number of people witnessed the firemen fighting the conflagration and a number of the occupants of residences adjoining the mill removed furniture and other pieces of household effects from their homes into the streets to protect their furnishings in the event of the conflagration spreading beyond the mill.

Italian Prohibition Of Christmas Custom Angers Tyrol Teutons

MUNICH, Bavaria, Dec. 15.—The Italian officials in the Tyrolese districts which were ceded to Italy after the war, have prohibited the customary municipal Christmas trees, declaring that such a custom is unknown to the Italians, according to dispatches received here. The German residents, incensed, are reported to have threatened a protest to the Rome government

Gift of Public Land to P.G.E. Is Proposed

Allotment of 20,000 Acres to Each Mile of Railroad Is Basis to Solve Present Problem

Co-operation of Two Governments Sought

Reconstruction Between Vancouver and Prince George Is Suggested If Present Means Fail

ALLOTMENT of 20,000 acres of land to the mile of railroad, encouragement of co-operation between the Province of British Columbia, the Dominion Government and the Imperial Government with a view to securing a large immigration movement and ultimate disposal, return by the Dominion Government of the unalienated portions of the Peace River block, and other important proposals are contained in the policy of the Oliver Government in connection with the Pacific Great Eastern Railway as announced in the Legislature yesterday by Premier Oliver, following introduction of special legislation which seeks to solve the Province's railway problem: a problem that has cost the people of British Columbia in the neighborhood of fifty million dollars. The total land grant would be 16,075,000 acres.

Following introduction of the P.G.E. bill yesterday afternoon, Premier Oliver explained that the proposed land grants of 20,000 acres per mile of railroad, were not situated along the line of the road. It had been found that a great portion of such territory was in the hands of private owners and for that reason public lands known as the Peace River Block, the East Cariboo Block, the West Cariboo Block and the Lillooet Block, had been set aside. The first area is to the west and south of the Peace River Block held by the Federal authorities; the second block is to the

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Publisher Sues Canadian Press For $110,000

Proprietor of Edmonton Bulletin Alleges Membership in Organization Wrongfully Withheld

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—The Canadian Press was today served with a writ issued by Charles E. Campbell, publisher of The Edmonton Bulletin, claiming damages totalling $110,000, service being made in Calgary on its president, J. H. Woods, as he stepped off the train on his return from the East, according to a message received tonight at the head office of the Canadian Press here.

The basis of the claim purports to be that the Canadian Press became party to a conspiracy whereby Mr. Campbell, having purchased The Edmonton Bulletin on October 10 last, had been wrongfully refused a membership in the Canadian Press and refused also its news service. Mr. Campbell claims that owing to these alleged illegal acts he was unable to commence publication of The Bulletin on October 15 last, that he thus lost large revenues he would otherwise have received, and was put to heavy expense in wages, salaries and rent for which he had contracted. Mr. Campbell further claims that November 30 last the Canadian Press illegally cancelled the Edmonton morning paper membership, to which he claims he was entitled.

Co-Defendants

Joined with the Canadian Press as defendants are J. H. Woods, president of the Canadian Press, and John Imrie, managing director of The Edmonton Journal, who are both alleged to be parties to the conspiracy. Mr. Campbell further claims that Mr. Woods, acting as president of the Canadian Press, discussed with him the question of an interim morning paper news service, and presented to him terms which were unreasonable and which were presented with the

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Petroglyphs Puzzle House

B.C. Carvings, 3,000 Years Old, Warnings to Indians That Traditional Enemies Are About

WHEN the Legislature resumed for the afternoon session yesterday, the member for Fernie, Mr. Tom Uphill, drew the attention of the Speaker, under the plea of privilege, to a strange-looking object in the centre of the floor near the railing through which the Lieutenant-Governor passes when he attends to deliver the Speech from the Throne. It was a conical-shaped mass, with weird eyes carved on it, facing all ways. The incident passed unnoticed while other matters were discussed, but its identity was revealed later, when the Provincial Secretary, Hon. W. Sloan, moved the second reading of the Historical Objects Bill, and referred to the object as a piece of carving 3,000 years antecedent to the present age.

For some years, said the minister, there has been a growing feeling among the people, especially among old-timers and native sons of British Columbia, with reference to what was really Vancouver Island's greatest mystery, which was a source of interest to visitors. He referred to the well-known and much-discussed rock carvings, or petroglyphs. They were to be seen at Sproat Lake, Nanaimo, Yellow Rock at Comox, the Great

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"Discovered" Mr. Baldwin, Claims Lord Beaverbrook

Issues History of Post-War British Politics — Comments on Lord Birkenhead's Table Manners

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Lord Beaverbrook today published his prodigiously advertised shilling booklet, "Politicians and Press," in which he discusses political events at large since the signing of the Armistice, with special reference to the part he himself has played.

Lord Beaverbrook claims that he "discovered" Stanley Baldwin, the present Premier of Britain, and gave him his first chance by recommending him to Bonar Law, who was Premier a short time before his death. However, Lord Beaverbrook displays a certain amount of reticence in narrating his political relations with these two.

Referring socially to Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Lord Beaverbrook notes that Churchill knows the difference between good and bad food, although the Chancellor is not necessarily a gourmand. He also mentions Lord Birkenhead, Secretary of State for India, in a social way by saying that "Lord Birkenhead, though a good trencherman (having a good appetite), confronts the contents of his plate as if an enemy were before him who had to be abolished."



LORD BEAVERBROOK

Raise in Tariff On Products of Farm Proposed

Australian Trade Treaty Is Detriment to Producers of B. C., Hon. T. Coventry Tells Legislature

Unguarded Against U.S.

That the Australian trade treaty concluded last July has already begun to act to the detriment of the producers of British Columbia, and that the Canadian tariff does not afford them sufficient protection to enable them to compete even in their own market with the products of the Western States of America, were points developed by Hon. T. O. Coventry, Conservative member for Saanich, who moved a resolution in the Legislature last night that the Government make representations to the Dominion Government to raise the tariff on such farm products as he mentioned to at least a parity with the tariffs of foreign countries on similar products.

"I think all of us realize," said Mr. Coventry, "that the farmers of the prairie provinces are, or have been, diametrically opposed to the view of the majority of the farmers of British Columbia on the tariff question. The prairie farmers far outnumber ours, and, as a result, their views have had more consideration at Ottawa than ours have. They sell wheat, coarse grain, hogs and cattle on the hoof, and fear no competition in their own territory. Consequently, they favor low tariffs or none at all, so as to buy in the cheapest markets. On the other hand, our farmers grow a far more varied assortment of foodstuffs, most of which come into direct competition with similar produce

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Victorian Willed Third of Estate

Kathleen Ross Bequeathed Share of Half Million Left by Seattle Woman

SEATTLE, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Mattie A. Thomas, for thirty years a business woman here, left $500,000, it was indicated when her will was probated today. She was the widow of John D. Thomas, a merchant and mining man in Montana. Mrs. Thomas died on December 9.

Her son, John David Thomas, and her granddaughter, Kathleen Ross, of Victoria, are each left one-third of the residue of the estate after beneficiaries are paid.

Britain Makes America Payment of $92,000,000

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The British Government today transferred to the United States more than $92,000,000, representing a half year's interest and contribution toward payment of the British war debt.

Danish Farming Colony Planned In Peace River

TORONTO, Dec. 5.—Foundation of a Danish farming colony of some 500 families with holdings of 40,000 acres in the Peace River district of Alberta, is the plan of L. T. Romer, of Copenhagen, who is here today on his way west to look over the ground.

The proposition involves capitalization of $300,000. The land to be settled is swamp, and will be drained. It will be bought at $1.25 an acre, and will cost $2 an acre to reclaim. It will be divided into fifty-acre farms.

Civil Service Head Attacked In Legislature

Opposition Members Want Salary of Mr. W. H. MacInnes Reduced by More Than Half

Opposition members made a determined attack on Civil Service Commissioner W. H. MacInnes in the Legislature last night, culminating in a resolution by the Leader of the Conservative Party and Mr. H. D. Twigg, Victoria member, that the commissioner's salary be cut from $4,200 to $2,000 a year. At the request of the Provincial Secretary and the Attorney-General, the resolution was allowed to stand, the latter pointing out that the office of commissioner was one that should have an adequate salary.

Mr. Twigg insisted that if the resolution stood over that it would be with the understanding that consideration be given when it came up again to a proposal to replace the present incumbent.

He did not see the use of the department, Mr. Twigg said, owing to the manner in which it had been functioning. He declared that civil servants were not being promoted on the basis of service and efficiency, and declared that many cases of injustice had been evidenced in the manner in which the department had functioned. Men had been discharged on the slightest pretext and had been robbed of their superannuation moneys, and had not even had the opportunity of appearing before a board of inquiry. He also charged that civil servants were spied upon with a view to ascertaining their political affiliations if any. He paid high compliment to the members of the British Columbia civil service, and declared that although he was personally acquainted with many of them that he had never heard a single one discuss politics or affirm allegiance to any party.

Mr. Reg. Hayward, senior member for Victoria, said that Mr. MacInnes had made returns for income tax purposes of those in his department, but had not filed his own returns and had not paid his income tax until after questions had been asked in the House several weeks ago on the subject. This, he declared, was not in the interests of efficiency.

The amendment to reduce the salary was then put, and after discussion it was allowed to stand. It is likely that the Legislature will be asked to consider the replacement of the present incumbent of office with another, or that the department be completely reorganized.

Conservative Given Permission to Appeal

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—Mr. Justice Mowatt this afternoon gave George Spotton, Conservative candidate in North Huron in the Federal election, the right to appeal the decision of Mr. Justice Wright in declaring J. W. King, the Progressive candidate, elected.

Oil District Placed Under British Rule

Geneva Backs London Views in Anglo-Turkish Controversy—Turks Get Bit of Land in North

Britain to Renew Mandate 25 Years

Angora Delegate Accuses British of Circulation of False Reports — Official Protest Sent to Council

GENEVA, Dec. 15.—Mysterious Mosul, where the League of Nations' agents recently saw oil spouting from natural wells and Arabs hastily filling buckets to sell it to owners of American-made automobiles, will go to Irak, which means to Great Britain, for Great Britain has the mandate over Irak. Such is the decision reached by the council of the League, League officials declared tonight, and they added that everything would be made public tomorrow.

The council held a secret session this morning and regretfully noted the failure of its attempts at mediation.

Brussels Line Stays

It is reported that the British cabinet has sent assurance to the council that it will accept prolongation of the British mandate over Irak.

Turkey, it is said, will get a narrow strip to the north. In other words, the provisional frontier between Turkey and Irak laid down at Brussels, will become permanent, with slight modifications. Irak, under British influence, is expected to grant favorable economic arrangements to Turkey whereby no customs barrier will exist between Turkey and Irak and Great Britain must formally accept the mandate for twenty-five years. Pending this the council's decision is provisional.

Turk Attacks Britain

While the officials were making this announcement, the Turkish delegates shot a new bolt. Tewfik Rushdi Bey, the Turkish foreign minister, sent an official protest to the council accusing Great Britain of influencing the council by circulating false charges that the Turks had atrociously treated Christians. He was replying to a document published tonight from a Chaldean Catholic priest, which, like the report recently issued by General Laidoner, special league commissioner, declared Turkey had authorized the Turkish soldiers to commit massacres.

The priest's report, which England gave to the council, alleges that the Turks have savagely massacred men and women, sold children into slavery and have driven many mad through unspeakable hardships, and declared that if the European powers do not stop these abominations the world would soon learn that "Christianity, which has flourished in this famous land for 2,000 years, has been destroyed in the twentieth century by the attacks of the fanatic Turks."

Favorable U.S. Testimony Cited

Rushdi Bey charged the English with arming the Assyrian Chaldeans against Turkey and asserted that England was making use of incidents which occurred before the creation of the Turkish republic to discredit Turkey. He cited the American, Major General James G. Harbord, who was one of the impartial foreigners, who had declared that the Turks were not only not responsible for these incidents, but actually suffered themselves because of them.

(Major-General Harbord headed an American mission which investigated the situation in Armenia in 1919.)

Rushdi Bey concluded by arraigning England for mixing humanitarian with political questions, and hoped that the movement opposing Islamism by Christianity would come to an end.

Four Men Crushed When Wall Falls

Building Topples Upon Excavating Gang—Death Stills Screams of Buried

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—A side wall of the Peerless Welding Works on Mission Street, a one-story building, collapsed without warning late today into an excavation alongside, crushing four men to death. The men were buried under tons of brick and water.

Firemen and policemen quickly established lines and went to the rescue of the men, who for a time could be heard screaming. In order to do rescue work it was necessary to pull down the front wall of the building, which was in a dangerous condition.

Mexican Agent Denies Mennonites Returning

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 15.—D. Salas Lopes, Mexico City colonization agent handling the Mennonites' colonization, made a statement today to the effect that Dallas, Texas, dispatches telling of the return of Mennonites from Mexico to Canada were incorrect.

"At the present time," Senor Lopes said, "there are 7,500 Canadian Mennonite colonists in Mexico, prosperous and contented. Not one Canadian Mennonite colonist has left Mexico."

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Irish House Passes New Boundary Bill

DUBLIN, Dec. 15.—The Dail tonight passed all stages of the bill ratifying the London agreement on the Irish boundary. President Cosgrave announced that the agreement would be registered with the League of Nations as the Anglo-Irish treaty had been registered.

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hope and expectation that he, Mr. Campbell, would refuse to accept them.

Mr. Campbell further alleges that Mr. Wooda and Mr. Imrie conspired with each other and with the Canadian Press to prevent him receiving from the Canadian Press the membership and service to which he claims he was entitled.

Denies Membership Asked

J. F. B. Livesay, general manager of the Canadian Press, tonight stated that a reply would be filed by the solicitor for the corporation in due course. With reference to the contents of Mr. Campbell's statement of claim, as published by him in his paper, Mr. Livesay said that the former membership of The Edmonton Bulletin had been in the name of G. B. O'Connor. Mr. Campbell had not at any time applied for transfer of the membership to himself nor had he at any time made application for a new membership in the corporation. Mr. Campbell had appeared before the Board of Directors of the Canadian Press in Montreal on November 23 last, and had expressed his intention of making application for a morning paper membership in Edmonton and had asked that he be furnished with an interim morning paper news service pending the review of his application. The Board had considered favorably permitting such a service, having particularly in view the need of a morning paper in the citizens of Edmonton, and a preliminary discussion had been held with Mr. Campbell concerning the basis upon which this should be done.

Appointment Not Kept

An appointment had been made and agreed to by Mr. Campbell for a further discussion to be held in Toronto on Monday, November 30, with a view to concluding such arrangement. Mr. Campbell did not keep the appointment, nor did he reply to a telegram that had been sent to him at Edmonton on that date, intimating that the interim news service he had requested could be secured by him. Mr. Campbell, on December 3, started publication of an evening paper in Edmonton and subsequently issued the writ.

Mr. Livesay further stated The Edmonton Bulletin had ceased publication on or about June 19, 1925, and its membership had automatically lapsed under the by-laws of the corporation.

Prairie Mayors Elected

REGINA, Dec. 15.—Results of voting in civic elections held throughout Saskatchawan yesterday: Saskatoon, H. Huxley, mayor; Watrous, George Trenholme, re-elected mayor; Moose Jaw, W. W. Davidson, re-elected mayor by acclamation; Swift Current, A. Webber, mayor; Broadview, G. J. Gill, re-elected mayor; Indian Head, J. Wilson, mayor.

Christened Locarno Park

KERRISDALE, Dec. 15.—Trimble Beach Park, acquired by by-law on November 7 by ratepayers of Point Grey, will in future be known as Locarno Park, commemorating the now famous peace pact. The title was selected by Point Grey Municipal Council last night from forty-nine names submitted by school children of the municipality.

Confer on House Arrangements

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—The Government and Conservative whips met this morning in conference with the sergeant-at-arms of the House of Commons to settle details of seating and office accommodation for members for the new Parliament. The Progressives were not represented, but communications have been received from the leaders of the party.

IN EVERY SMALL TOWN

The snow is gently falling, an elderly man in a big coon coat is striding up and down the Canadian National station platform, an expectant smile on his kindly face. Behind the station awaits the horse and cutter to convey a loved one from the city to the warm embrace of a sweet faced mother. There's holly and mistletoe and a great big turkey and plum pudding—they haven't forgotten a thing to celebrate this joyful homecoming at Christmas.

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United States Will Co-operate With Europe

Secretary of State Says for All Legitimate Purposes Country Is Committed to Aid in Continental Affairs

Alliances Are Eschewed

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The United States is committed to a policy of co-operating with European powers for all legitimate purposes, but of avoiding European politics. This was the keynote of an address by Secretary of State Kellogg, at a dinner given in his honor last night by the Council of Foreign Relations.

Secretary Kellogg outlined policies of his department and defended it against recent criticisms, especially with regard to alleged aloofness in foreign affairs, foreign debts and loans and the exclusion from the United States of foreigners whether "prince or peasant," who seek to preach radical doctrines.

Characterizing the Security Conference at Locarno as "Europe's sincere effort to free itself from the old system of balance of power supported by military alliances," he said, "it has been the settled policy of the United States not to interfere in purely European questions, certainly not unless invited, and there was no reason to invite the United States to attend the Locarno conference.

"We shall go to the very limit of reasonable co-operation for all legitimate purposes, but we will not commit ourselves to the European system of alliances and counter-alliances to maintain the balance of power upon that continent."

As for the foreign debt policy, Mr. Kellogg said it is out of the question to contemplate "an outright gift of billions of dollars."

The debt settlements, he said, have been approached in a spirit of utter fairness.

Gift of Public Lands To P.G.E. Is Proposed

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south of Quesnel Lake; the third to the west of the Fraser River and south of the Chilcotin, and the fourth is to the west of the Fraser and north of the Chilcotin.

Free From Taxation

It is intended that the public lands so conveyed to the railway shall be free of taxation, excepting school taxes, for a period of twenty years. Where school districts are in existence or are created hereafter, the lands will be subject to taxation for educational purposes. Where in the areas lands are under lease or rental from the crown, the revenues will go to the railway. Timber royalties shall continue to go to the crown, except on timber used exclusively for purposes of the railroad.

The bill calls for division of the railway into two sections for the purpose of alloting the grants, the first half being from Vancouver to Prince George and the second from Prince George to the eastern boundary of British Columbia. East of Prince George to the Alberta boundary the road is divided into twenty-mile sections and as each section is completed the land grant will be allotted.

Return of Land Desired

The Premier stated that the bill had been drawn largely in line with the growth of public opinion that the P.G.E. should be sold to either the Canadian Pacific or the Canadian National Railways. There was also a possibility, he said, of inducing the Dominion Government to adopt one of several courses: Cash subsidy in connection with construction to the eastern boundary of the province; land grants, or both subsidy and land grants.

Hon. Mr. Oliver referred briefly to the Peace River Block and explained how, in 1884 the area, comprising 3,500,000 acres, had been conveyed to the Dominion Government. He declared that effort would be made to secure a return of this land, or that portion of it unalienated, to British Columbia.

If the proposed eastern extension was built either north or south of the Peace River, it would traverse the Peace River Block, and he believed that return of the land could be obtained.

Co-operation to Be Sought

The Premier also intimated that the Dominion Government might be induced to subsidize the Edmonton and Dunvegan Railroad to extend its line in order to make a connection with the Canada Central Railway at Hudson's Hope. Pressure will be made on the Dominion Government to set aside Federal lands in the Province of Alberta in order to connect up proposed interprovincial lines in that province with the P.G.E., and in this connection, co-operation will be sought with the Alberta Government.

"To open up fully the Peace River section of the province, a line of railway will be required both north and south of the Peace River," Premier Oliver continued. "These lines would converge at Hudson's Hope."

Premier Oliver did not forget to indulge in a mild reference to the attitude of Mr. Charles Woodward in respect to the P.G.E. and the Government's policy thereon.

View Is Kept in Mind

"Mr. Woodward is comparatively young and inexperienced in politics, and he is apt to try to hurry up things," said the Premier. "He is possessed with great energy and ability, nevertheless. Mr. Woodward thought that I should be sent to England accompanied by a competent business man in order to negotiate the sale of the road to British capitalists. The idea he conveyed to me was that we should secure the co-operation of the Dominion and Imperial Governments in an effort to solve our difficulty, and I am convinced that his idea carried great possibilities. I can assure him that it has not been lost sight of by this Government."

Continuing, the Premier said that he had been criticized because of an alleged lack of policy in connection with the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, but he had always acted on the assumption that it was better to go slow until a solution could be seen than to make a "bull-headed rush forward in the dark."

Abandonment Impossible

The idea of abandoning the road, in view of the great liability it represented, was impossible, he said. Such action would strike a blow at the credit of the province from which it would not soon recover.

"This Government has never thought of abandoning the road," he said. "Our policy is to commence reconstruction if the line cannot be disposed of in a reasonable length of time. We will be prepared at the next session of the Legislature, if the road has not been disposed of by that time, to ask the House to provide money with which to reconstruct the road between Vancouver and Prince George."

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Greek Premier Opposes Compensating Bulgars



PREMIER PANGALOS

ATHENS, Dec. 15.—The Athens papers quote Premier Pangalos as declaring that the Greek Government will not countenance the payment of even one million leva as penalty for the Grecian invasion of Bulgaria, although it is willing to pay for the damage caused by Greek troops.

The League of Nations council yesterday decided that Greece must pay reparations of 30,000,000 leva, or about $219,000. The decision was accepted by Greece's representative. Premier Pangalos' statement, as outlined above, apparently makes a distinction between payment of an indemnity for invasion as against payment of reparations for damages.

Petroglyphs Puzzle House

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Central Lake, Fort Rupert and Aldridge Point. On the Mainland, they were visible at Skidegate, Kimsquit, Bella Coola, Hazelton, Smith's Inlet, Lillooet, Seton Pass, and other points.

Carving Names Objected To

These petroglyphs had great historical interest, and the American Museum of Natural History at Washington had sent to get plaster casts of them. An interesting paper on them was published by the Bureau of Ethnology at Washington, and the Portland, Ore., Museum and the Berlin anthropological authorities had also interested themselves in the trophies, which had baffled archaeologists, as to a satisfactory interpretation of the petroglyphs. It was admitted that they were of an age antecedent to the present race of Indians. Latterly complaints have been received by the Government from the Native Sons of British Columbia, in regard to vandalism and carving of tourists' names on these ancient and historical objects. The Native Sons had asked that it be made an offence to deface them, and the Government had pleasure in acceding to the request.

Major R. J. Burde, Alberni, expressed great surprise at what he termed the ignorance of the Government about these relics. In his district, he said, they knew all about them, and had, some years ago, got photographs and an explanation of them published in the leading newspapers of the Dominion and the United States. He quoted Mr. Frank Shepherd, an engineer of his district, who had stated, following an examination many years ago, that they were 3,000 years old.

Carvings Are Warnings

"Next day," said Major Burde, "I was called on by a very intelligent old Indian, who told me that an Indian, Quat-a-aht, had written all these signs. There is much useful matter in the Provincial Library that will tell you all about him. He was trying to enlighten everyone that might be interested in them. The old Indian goes up once a year to the Great Central Lake, and comes back with a story that there are whales there. Now the whale is the traditional enemy of the Indian, and, when this old fellow tells the story, they all believe it, because there is nobody to contradict him, for the Indians give the place a wide berth.

"Whenever an Indian sees one of those carvings, his paddle becomes silent at once, and, if he sees as much as a ripple on the water, he takes to the woods as far as he can get away from the place. The Indians don't believe what their fathers tell them, and I don't blame them. The real purpose of the carvings is that the Indians seeing them will know that their traditional enemies are there, and that they are to keep a sharp lookout for them. I am surprised at the ignorance of the Government." (Laughter.)

The Leader of the Opposition, Mr. R. H. Pooley, commended the action of the Government in bringing down the bill, which was given second reading without further debate.

Robbery Attempt Brings Two Years' Imprisonment

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—Two years' imprisonment in the penitentiary was imposed by Magistrate H. C. Shaw in police court on T. S. Fitzgerald, charged with attempted robbery and with slugging W. Sherwood, watchman in the customs department in the postoffice building. Alexander McDougall, eighteen, and J. Cunningham, twenty-one, arraigned in connection with the case, were allowed suspended sentence.

"Here's where we add a little new blood to the family," said the mosquito to his wife when a stranger entered the room.

Five Miners Killed In Tacoma Explosion

Sixth Man Is Severely Burned in Accident at Coal Company's Plant

SEATTLE, Dec. 15.—Five miners were killed and a sixth was severely burned in an explosion Monday at the Wilkeson Coal & Coke Company's plant, thirty-one miles southeast of Tacoma, it was revealed in a dispatch tonight. The officials of the mine had not reported the cause of the blast tonight.

The following were listed as dead: John Horoski, nineteen, single, Buckley; Roy Woolsey, thirty, married, Carbonado; Emanuel Christell, twenty-two, single, Wilkeson; Tony Edker, thirty-five, single, Wilkeson; M. George, twenty-eight, married, Wilkeson.

C. E. Farrell, thirty-three, is in the Tacoma General Hospital suffering severe burns about the face and arms. He said thirty men were working when an explosion occurred at about 8:30 a.m., Monday. The five men were killed when they inhaled gas which formed after the blast.

Raise in Tariff On Products of Farm Proposed

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grown in Mexico, California, Washington and Oregon. We find tariffs on the following articles:

Dumping Ruins Market

"Eggs, 30c per dozen, against 3c per dozen; fruits, 25 per cent, against 35 per cent; butter, 4c per pound, against 8c per pound; cheese, 8c, against 5c; hay, $2 a ton, against $4; potatoes, 35c per 100 pounds, against 50c per 100 pounds.

"There is worse yet. Most fruits and vegetables mature earlier in the countries to the south of us and find a ready market prior to our crop coming on the market. We used to have protection in the Customs Act, in the anti-dumping clauses, which were a certain alleviation against tariff discrimination. This was removed in 1922 by the Ottawa Government and the new regulations are very unsatisfactory. I quote a case.

"The hothouse men of the south end of this Island are very highly organized and co-operate in their marketing and apparently, till this Summer, had had satisfactory results, judging by the growth of their industry. This year, they had a serious set-back, as, just before their tomato crop ripened, large supplies of tomatoes from Mexico were dumped in this country and ruined their market."

Fruits Forestalled

Mr. Coventry, continuing, said that early berries of all kinds were forestalled in the markets of Vancouver and Victoria by California and Washington berries. Okanagan tree fruits were forestalled all over the West by tree fruits from Washington. In many cases, the public appetite had been sated before these lines came on the market. In particular, this applied to berries. There was very heavy competition from the Pacific States. Local poultrymen were working under Winter feed conditions and those from the South were under the advantage of Spring. The egg-marking act was a boon, but it was a very roundabout way of help. A similar handicap applied to butter, cheese, hay and other commodities.

Differences Shown

"United States farmers," he said, "sold to Canadian cities and towns last year $73,000,000 worth of agricultural products. In the same year Canadian farmers sold to United States cities and towns $43,000,000 worth. There was a difference of $30,000,000 against the Canadian farmer. The following figures of exports and imports for 1924 tell their own story:

"Fresh fruits (tons): Imports, 3,425; exports, 12,514.

"Fresh vegetables (tons): Imports, 12,136; exports, 7,078.

"Canned fruits and vegetables (pounds): Imports, 4,433,578; exports, 1,794,517.

"Eggs (dozens): Imports, 139,973; exports, 29,585.

"Butter (pounds): Imports, 1,094,955; exports, none.'

Must Have Markets

"We find a very large sum of money devoted to the pay of horticulturists, pathologists, entomologists and agriculturists and their associates, but all the 'ists' in the world will be of no avail if there is not a satisfactory market for our produce. The farmers have showed that they are in favor of at least an equalization of the tariff with foreign countries."

Captain Ian Mackenzie, Liberal, Vancouver—But at the last election Liberals polled 11,000 votes more than in 1921; while Conservatives polled only 9,000 more.

Mr. Coventry—But we won two constituencies away from the low tariff party—West Kootenay and Fraser Valley.

B. C. Farmer Hit

The Australian treaty was another case, said Mr. Coventry, in which the British Columbia farmer was being hit. He quoted from a letter received from the Saanich Fruit Growers' Association to the effect that the treaty adversely affected the small fruit industry. Australia operated to an advantage over British Columbia as its canned tomatoes and other vegetables, as well as fruit pulp, were admitted free of duty. As a matter of fact British Columbia jam manufacturers had already received communications from Australia, with the object of doing business next season.

Mr. J. A. Catherwood, Conservative member for Dewdney, seconded the resolution, observing that he did not understand the workings of the minds of Canadian statesmen in setting a difference of eighteen cents a dozen in eggs against the poultrymen of British Columbia.

On motion of Mr. C. McRae, Liberal, Vancouver City, the debate was adjourned.

Town-Planning and City Manager Bills Given Second Reading

Mrs. Mary Ellen Smith, Vancouver City, yesterday moved the second reading in the Legislature of two bills, one for town planning and the other for authority to establish the city manager method of administration. The House accorded second reading to the new measures.

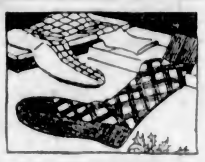
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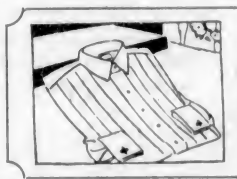
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Bridge River Power Scheme May Be Operated by B.C.

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The present Act, according to an explanation by the Minister, limits the license to fifty years, but makes no provision as to what happens after that. There is a provision in the Bill for the Province or a public corporation to recapture the undertaking, if authorized to do so by the Legislature. The undertaking may be taken over by arbitration, but the arbitrator shall not consider revenue, dividends or prospective dividends.

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1926 Officials Of Kiwanis Club Installed Here

Governor Kenneth Ferguson Performs First Official Act —Mr. B. C. Nicholas Is Head of Local Body

Ceremony Is Impressive

Governor Kenneth Ferguson, of the Pacific Northwest Kiwanis District, yesterday installed President B. C. Nicholas, Vice-President Atwell D. King, Treasurer C. W. Pangman, District Trustee Dr. Howard Miller, and Directors A. E. Humphries, L. H. Griffiths, Mark W. Graham, Dr. Gordon Kenning, C. Elwood Watkins, W. S. Norrington and Walter Revercomb as the 1926 officials of the Kiwanis Club of Victoria.

The installation ceremonies took place at noon in the Chamber of Commerce auditorium, at the weekly luncheon of the local Kiwanis organization. Governor Ferguson was assisted by Rev. Dr. W. G. Wilson and Mr. S. J. Willis, a former president of the club.

Prior to handing over his gavel of authority to his successor, retiring President Dr. Howard Miller referred to the hearty and willing interest which club members had displayed in the activities of the organization during the past twelve months. He expressed his thanks to the individual members of the club, the directorate and the various committees for the efficient work they had performed. He paid tribute to Secretary Carl Stocker for his willing service at all times.

Congratulations Extended

Congratulations were extended by Dr. Miller to the club upon its selection as president of Kiwanian Nicholas, who was, he said, a man of sterling worth. The club had in Mr. Nicholas a fit leader for the coming year, said the speaker, who hoped that the Kiwanis Club would continue to render community service in future as in the past, and that it would always prove "a monument of unselfishness and service."

Governor Ferguson said he was very pleased that his first official act was the privilege of installing the new officers of the club of which he was a member. He discussed the ideals and purposes of Kiwanis, and contended that progress could not be made unless the members worked and lived in accord with the high ideals they professed. He urged that the new officers decide early in the new year upon one or two major club objectives, and to exercise great care in the selection of the personnel of committees.

Rev. Dr. Wilson extended congratulations to President-Elect Nicholas and his colleagues, asserting that the future of the club in their hands would be very bright. He paid a glowing tribute to the fine work of the retiring administration, and observed that the prestige of the club in the city was steadily growing. Loyalty on the part of the members to the newly-elected officials was essential to progress.

Vested With Official Button

President-Elect Nicholas was then vested with his official button of authority by Governor Ferguson, while Past President S. J. Willis presented to retiring President Dr. Miller a past-president's pin.

Appreciation of confidence imposed in him, and the hope that the club's judgment in its selection would be vindicated, were expressed by President-Elect Nicholas, who made a plea for sincere co-operation during 1926. He lauded the Kiwanis Club orchestra upon its growth in numbers and efficiency, and urged members to assist it in every way.

The musical programme was provided by the Kiwanis orchestra. Mr. Norman Peterson, popular whistler of the Nightbirds' Club of Radio CFCT, provided two enjoyable whistling solos.

Order-in-Council May Be Required

Discovery Street Application Presents Some Problems of Title to Be Adjusted

Not satisfied that the information was adequate to deal with the matter, the City Council, Monday evening, referred back to the Mayor, City Solicitor and City Engineer a report from City Solicitor H. S. Pringle on the application of the Canadian Puget Sound Lumber Company for permission to erect a wharf at the end of Discovery Street.

Mr. Pringle reported that upon searching in the Land Registry Office he found that Discovery Street was originally dedicated to the Crown by virtue of the filing of a subdivision plan: "consequently it is vested in the Crown and the City has only a beneficial interest therein, but is also charged under the Municipal Act as trustee in possession of the said street for use of the public, and I am therefore of the opinion that the City has no power whatever to lease or dispose of any portion of Discovery Street in the matter mentioned."

Public Wharf

Mr. Pringle continues: "Bearing this in mind when it comes to the question of an application by the City for foreshore rights out to the harbor line opposite Discovery Street, the City could, no doubt, apply for such rights, which might be granted, but if the proposed wharf were constructed, and Discovery Street remained a public highway, the wharf would be for public use, and not exclusively for the private use of anyone. This, of course, would not secure the purpose for which the application would be made, and under the circumstances, I cannot recommend that course, being followed.

The Alternative

"If, however, the Council is of the opinion that that portion of Discovery Street, between Store Street and the harbor is not now needed, or will be needed for highway purposes for the use of the public, it could be dealt with by Provincial Order-in-Council and in that way could be vested in the company concerned, if consent were given by the City and adjoining property owners. This, I think, is the only feasible way of handling this matter, and if the portion of Discovery Street should be vested by Order-in-Council, the company, as owner, could then make its own application for wharf purposes."

The Session

Bill No. 70—It Proposes to Give Away Sixteen Million Acres of Land—To Anyone Who Will Take the Good Old P.G.E. as Well—The Premier Is Against Scuttle—And the House Views a Petroglyph Without Alarm

The Press Gallery, Tuesday.

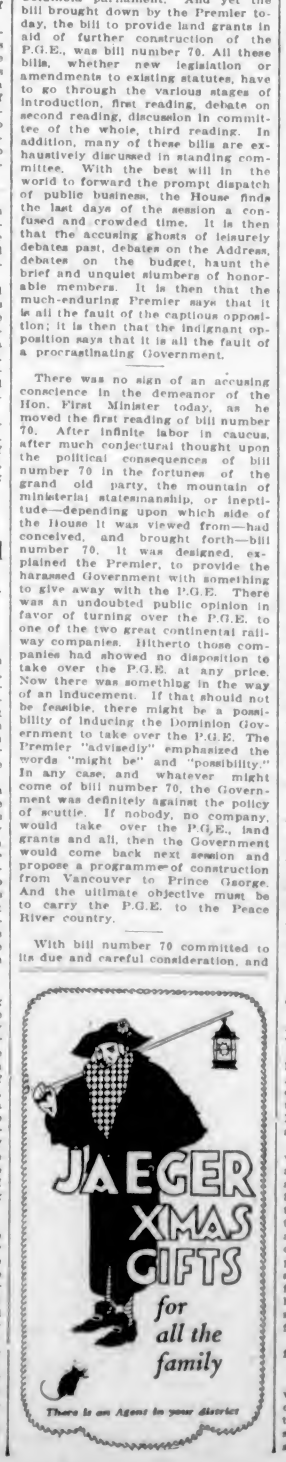
There were no signs of desperate haste in the House today as honorable members listened to the Premier's preliminary statement on bill number 70. Bill number 70 is an act to provide for the granting of certain public lands in aid of the construction of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway. Bill number 70, if it is enacted, will give the Government authority to alienate the public domain of British Columbia to the extent of sixteen million acres. With six weeks of varied achievement behind it—mostly of the conversational variety; with thirty bills, comprising so many items of unfinished business still on the order paper; with Christmas only nine days away; with the up-country members preoccupied with the thought of Christmas; with all these troubles, past, present and future, on its mind, the House today cheerfully turned to the consideration of bill number 70.

The House, while it is uneasily conscious that there may be some truth in the public report of it that it is profligate of time, is upborne by the reflection that it is at any rate a hard-working House. And it is a hard-working House. Its days are laborious with standing committees and sittings in the chamber, its nights are toilsome with voting of supply. For the past ten days it has been sitting afternoon and night. Tomorrow it will begin to sit in the morning also. It will be necessary to detail a squad of the faithful to watch debate in the House. Honorable members at work in committee rooms will come into the House at the signal of the division bell, will be hastily apprised of the question to be put, will vote in their souls and consciences aye or no. Meals will be snatched between whiles in the House restaurant. After fourteen or fifteen hours' continuous work, the House will seek recreation and repose. The House feels that it is doing its bit for an ungrateful country.

The second session of the sixteenth parliament is likely to go down in political history as one in which there was the minimum of tinkering with the statute books. No session for years past has seen so little new legislation introduced in the British Columbia parliament. And yet the bill brought down by the Premier today, the bill to provide land grants in aid of further construction of the P.G.E., was bill number 70. All these bills, whether new legislation or amendments to existing statutes, have to go through the various stages of introduction, first reading, debate on second reading, discussion in committee of the whole, third reading. In addition, many of these bills are exhaustively discussed in standing committee. With the best will in the world to forward the prompt dispatch of public business, the House finds the last days of the session a confused and crowded time. It is then that the accusing ghosts of leisurely debates past, debates on the Address, debates on the budget, haunt the brief and unquiet slumbers of honorable members. It is then that the much-enduring Premier says that it is all the fault of the captious opposition; it is then that the indignant opposition says that it is all the fault of a procrastinating Government.

There was no sign of an accusing conscience in the demeanor of the Hon. First Minister today, as he moved the first reading of bill number 70. After infinite labor in caucus, after much conjectural thought upon the political consequences of bill number 70 in the fortunes of the grand old party, the mountain of ministerial statesmanship, or ineptitude—depending upon which side of the House it was viewed from—had conceived, and brought forth—bill number 70. It was designed, explained the Premier, to provide the harassed Government with something to give away with the P.G.E. There was an undoubted public opinion in favor of turning over the P.G.E. to one of the two great continental railway companies. Hitherto those companies had showed no disposition to take over the P.G.E. at any price. Now there was something in the way of an inducement. If that should not be feasible, there might be a possibility of inducing the Dominion Government to take over the P.G.E. The Premier "advisedly" emphasized the words "might be" and "possibility." In any case, and whatever might come of bill number 70, the Government was definitely against the policy of scuttle. If nobody, no company, would take over the P.G.E., land grants and all, then the Government would come back next session and propose a programme of construction from Vancouver to Prince George. And the ultimate objective must be to carry the P.G.E. to the Peace River country.

With bill number 70 committed to its due and careful consideration, and with a growing dubiousness about its ability to do anything of the kind and get through before Christmas, the House found time this afternoon to consider the bearing of bill number 66, "an act to provide for the Preservation of Historic Objects" upon an exhibit of the House. This was a cast of a petroglyph, set up at the far end of the chamber, opposite to Mr. Speaker. Mr. Tom Uphill, of Fernie, objected to the presence of this object on the ground that it was too near to his desk, was of a mortuary appearance, reminiscent of tombstones, and calculated to embitter an existence already reduced to desperation by the anonymous attentions of the Ku Klux Klan.



Hon. Minister of Mines Sloan said that scientists and archaeologists were baffled in the interpretation of these petroglyphs, which were believed to ante-date by many centuries the present race of Indians. Colonel Cy Peck, V.C., ventured the opinion that the object of historic interest was prehistoric Chinook. The honorable and gallant member for Alberni, on the other hand, was surprised at the ignorance of the minister of mines, and proceeded to enlighten it. He indulged the House with recollections of the aboriginal folklore of Alberni. He recalled the great warrior Quat-e-aht, who had inscribed these petroglyphs on the rocks of the shores of Sproat Lake, as a warning to the Indians of the presence in the lake of their enemy, the great whale. With these legends, with others pertaining to the Thunder Bird, Major Burde beguiled the weary House, and raised its drooping spirits. As a suitable reward, the major was inducted as chairman of committee, in which position he officiated acceptably for the rest of the afternoon, while the House considered amendments to the Game Act.

Act Would Protect Historic Objects

Legislature Is Asked to Penalize Vandalism of Visitors in Vicinity of Aboriginal Art

Acting on representations made some time ago by the Native Sons of British Columbia, Hon. William Sloan on Monday night introduced a bill in the Legislature for the preservation of Historic Objects, having particular reference to Indian petroglyphs or rock carvings, and pictographs or native paintings.

There are many fine examples of prehistoric native art in British Columbia close to highways, particularly on Vancouver Island and in the South Okanagan, as well as the Fraser Valley and in Central British Columbia. Some thoughtless tourists have done much damage to these in the past few years, and particularly during the past Summer, carving their initials and addresses on the rocks. It is to prevent reoccurrence of this type of vandalism that the bill aimed.

The measure goes farther and makes it possibiesfor the Government by Order-in-Council to declare any primitive work of art "or any natural object existing in the Province to be a 'historic object' and may make provisions for the erection and maintenance in the vicinity of such historic objects of a notice referring to the Act, in such form as may be deemed advisable."

The Act requires permission in writing to be obtained from the Provincial Secretary for the removal or defacing of any object which has been declared a "historic object." This provision is made to permit bona fide agents for museums and universities to gather, with the permission of the Minister, objects of British Columbia aboriginal art. A penalty not exceeding a fine of $500 is provided for violation of the provisions of the measure.

Farmers of Sumas Were Not Consulted

Col. R. D. Davies Says It Would Have Been Better If This Had Been Done

That the farmers were not consulted, particularly in respect to the earlier operations at Sumas was the declaration of Col. R. D. Davies, former chairman of the Land Settlement Board, before the Public Accounts Committee yesterday morning. He declared that the Farmers' Advisory Board, which he was later informed was illegally constituted, had been in close touch with the work, and had opposed the idea of holding a public meeting. If the advice of Engineer A. Strong had been taken, the witness admitted, there would have been less seepage. Mr. Strong, and Mr. F. N. Sinclair, the engineer, who prepared the original plan, did not agree.

Col. Davies was examined at considerable length by Mr. R. H. Pooley, particularly on the question as to whether the owners had been consulted. Col. Davies admitted frankly that they were not, and that it might have been better had this course been followed. However, the undisturbed progress of the work was our primary consideration.

Mr. Pooley: "Did you consult the Minister of Agriculture?"

Witness: "Yes, frequently."

Mr. Pooley: "The Premier?"

Witness: "I cannot recall that he did."

Mr. Pooley: "Did you write to the Advisory Board and tell them they were not legally constituted?"

Witness: "Yes, that was when we had a certain amount of interference. At that time a number of the farmers thought they could put in the temporary dam better than we could. Putting in that dam was a failure on account of the rising water."

"If we had taken Mr. Strong's advice there would have been less seepage," continued the witness, who added that Messrs. Sinclair and Strong did not agree on many matters, and he, witness, was endeavoring to get advantage of the best advice available. When he found that his own engineer was not sufficiently posted, he came to the conclusion, he said, that Mr. Strong should have a free hand. It would have been ideal, he said, to have had his own engineer manage the whole work, but that was found impracticable."

Witness stated that he believed the fertility of the land to be 100 per cent.

An old gentleman said to some girls who were talking very loud at the opera, "My dear young ladies, please talk a little louder; the music makes such a noise I can't hear half you say."

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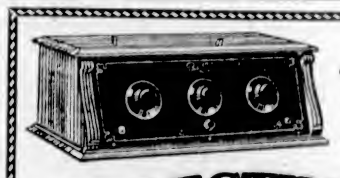
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Tenement Fire Takes Five Lives in New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Four women and one man lost their lives, and five others were injured today in a fire that destroyed a five-story tenement in East 14th Street. While the firemen were fighting this fire, a fire starting under similar circumstances threatened the tenants of a tenement in East 16th Street, about three blocks away. Both fires started in the ground floor hallways and swept to the top of the buildings. The tenants who lost their lives in the East 14th Street fire were Mrs. Ellen Fogarty, 45; Mrs. Agnes Silcox, 30; Mrs. Elizabeth Murphy, 30; Mrs. Agnes Masterson, 45, and John Murphy, 35, husband of Mrs. Murphy. The injured were four men and one woman.



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$80,000,000?

The Bill introduced by Premier Oliver, designed to give the Provincial Government better bargaining facilities in an attempt to make a sale of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway, involves a principle which we are assured that the Legislature will examine very closely before it takes any action. One fact that stands out clearly is this, namely, that nothing whatever should be done to make the present Bill law until the people are consulted, and until there is a full explanation to them of the very wide power which it is proposed should be secured by the Government. It is essential that the people should vote on any policy which involves the giving away of millions of acres of selected land. That land is the people's. The fee simple is in them. It is no part of the duty of the Legislature to alienate those lands in bulk or to destroy their potential value as direct revenue-producers for the Province.

The Government's proposal is that it should be empowered to make a grant of 20,000 acres per lineal mile of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway to that company and also per lineal mile of any continuation of that railway to the eastern boundary of British Columbia via the Peace River district. There are now over 300 miles of the Pacific Great Eastern constructed which means that the land grant in connection with existing construction would be in the neighborhood of 7,600,000 acres. Were the road continued to the eastern boundary of the Province construction of upwards of 300 miles more of railway would be involved. The land grant in all, therefore, it is estimated, would amount to 16,075,000 acres. That land, too, is not that necessarily contiguous to the existing railway or to the route that might be chosen for its continuation. It is selected acreage. What has been done, presumably, is to pick out the best land in the vicinity. If the people have faith in the potentialities of British Columbia, it is safe to estimate the value of the land proposed as a railway grant at from $2.50 to $10 per acre, or at a conservative average value of $5 per acre. Thus the power which the Government seeks is to give away, in connection with the sale of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway—if such a deal is consummated—a land grant which may be estimated in value as high as $80,375,000.

The Bill to vest such power in the Provincial Government is the most dangerous in its incidence and possibilities that has ever come before any Legislature of British Columbia. The granting of that power by the Legislature could not be justified to the people at large. What is involved is easily of sufficient magnitude for the Government of Mr. John Oliver, which is the author of the policy, to appeal to the people on what it proposes. The Legislature, if it is true to its trusteeship, will insist on this course being adopted. Most assuredly no Bill, which proposes in effect to take away from the people natural assets valued at $80,000,000 should become law without those people being consulted. It cannot be insisted upon too strongly that the Government and the Legislature are simply the trustees of the people where the natural resources are concerned. On a small scale, perhaps, the people may not object very strenuously to those resources being the subject of gambling experiments, but when it comes to investing the Government with the right to dispose of any considerable bulk of such resources it is quite another matter.

There can only be surprise at the temerity of Premier Oliver and his Government in bringing in such legislation and expecting that it will be passed by the simple expedient of the majority which the Liberals command in the Legislature. If the Legislature can do this thing it can dispose of all the resources of the Province on an equally vast scale and denude British Columbia of its greatest potential source of direct revenue. In the light of the principle that is involved there is no strength in the argument that the Government should be given this bargaining power. It is just a question if there exists any necessity for a grant at all. It is, of course, within the bounds of possibility that the people, in order to get rid of the incubus of the Pacific Great Eastern, would be prepared to make considerable land grants, but they should, without a shadow of doubt, be consulted.

The Provincial Government, headed by Mr. Oliver, has evolved this policy and it should stand or fall with it at the tribunal of the people who have placed in the hands of that Government the trusteeship of their natural resources. It is a matter far too grave to be dealt with by the Legislature by a party majority, unless that party has first got a mandate from the people. This is, we hope, the attitude that will be taken by the Conservative Party in the Legislature. It is the only attitude that will denote that there are still some safeguards surrounding the guardianship of the natural resources of British Columbia. Mr. Oliver's Bill is easily the most far reaching and serious that has ever been fathered by the present Liberal regime during its nine years of power. That regime, if it believes in the efficacy of what it proposes, should be prepared to go to the country and ask the people if it is their will that a choice selection of some of the best lands in the Province, equalling a bonus of some $80,000,000, should be given away in the event of the sale of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway by British Columbia.

LABOR MEMBERS

The Labor members of the Provincial Legislature, who are among the most faithful adherents of the Liberal Government whenever a division ensues, appear to be just as anxious as Premier Oliver and his colleagues to wind up their legislative duties for the present session. They are not averse to earning their sessional indemnities with the minimum of labor. It may be noted that during the present session not a single item of legislation that can be regarded as of the Labor variety has been passed, and yet these Labor members are quite willing to connive at the Government's railroading policy so that the House as a whole may escape from its legislative duties. The constituents of the Labor members will hardly approve of their action in making themselves willing pawns in the Government's game of party politics. They play that game, as is known, because they receive a quid pro quo in the form of driblets of legislation tacitly approved by the Government. They give the impression to the country, however, that one, at least, of their main considerations is the permanence of their sessional indemnities and the earning of them at the highly paid rate of from $10 to $15 per hour's work.

The Labor Members would deserve more widespread commendation did they demonstrate, if only at intervals, that they are masters of their own enlightened consciences, and that they owe to their constituents not only their industry but the exercise of their judgments as well. In courting the perpetual favor of the Government they appear too often in the light of servile adherents of causes and policies which they must be aware are not always in the interests of those who elected them to the Legislature. Certainly when they appear as parties to the hurried passage of governmental bills, and to the condonation of the removal of the Government from criticism of its actions in the course of administration, they open up the floodgates of suspicion that their political cognomen is not what it ought to be.

The Opposition in the Legislature does not seek to curry the favor of any members who ostensibly belong to neither of the two main political parties. Wherein the course of that Opposition is designed, from apparent reasons, in the best interest of the country as a whole, as it is designed when the attempt is made to insure the conduct of the session being worthy of a deliberative assembly, the Labor Members would seem to be acting against the country's welfare in their desire to make a hectic end of their legislative duties. Their course of action is not one in which they can be held to be responsible only to their local constituents. The Legislature is a deliberative assembly with one interest, namely, that of the Province as a whole. It is the general good and not local purposes and local prejudices that should prevail. The question at the moment is how far the general good is being served by the Labor Members in their servile desire to cover up the shortcomings of the Government in power and in their adherence to the wishes of that Government to escape from criticism that is its just desert?

Writing on subsidies in business, The Providence Journal says: "There can be no doubt of the fallacy of subsidizing. It not only entails a heavy charge upon the taxpayers, but it tends to paralyze private initiative and resourcefulness. A subsidized business in the long run faces economic decay. Every subsidy granted pinches the taxpayers a little harder and retards industrial expansion. In a period when a self-reliant policy was never more urgently required, some industries are content to fall supinely back upon a Government gratuity. It is worse than folly—it is an economic crime."

The total eclipse of the Sun to take place on June 29, 1927, will be the first total eclipse visible in England since 1724. The central line will run across Carnarvonshire and then from Southport to Hartlepool. The length of the total phase will only be 25 seconds, but, with weather permitting, the people of the Old Land who are on the central line will have an opportunity of seeing the Solar Corona for the first time it has been visible from such a location for over two centuries.

Never worry about trifles. The hole that lets the water into your shoe will let it out again.

Note and Comment

By R. B. D.

In the good old days when things pertaining to and affecting the lives of women and men (note the established order of precedence) were not so complex as they are today, when women and men and children were simple in their tastes, frugal in their habits and easily amused, the most wonderful day of the year was the day when the circus arrived in town and pitched its tents on the common. If the circus happened to have a "wild beast show" attached to it, the event attained the dignity of a festival.

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And the clown of the circus—the first clown in the first circus—have you ever seen anything so comical in appearance as that clown, or heard anything so funny as the jokes of that clown? We remember almost everything that the first clown in our first circus said. We have a distinct recollection of all the words of the first song our first clown sang. We can even remember that that first clown was endowed with a sweet tenor voice. Our taste for literature is not what it was in those golden days, and we would not care to publish the words of that song, but we may venture to say that the singer sang of a considerable number of things he did not like to see.

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At all times of the year, even at the present sombre season of the year, the streets of Victoria are attractive. The windows of the stores and shops are arrayed in holiday garb, and the sidewalks are thronged with healthy-looking and prosperous-looking people. And yet there are certain sights to be seen on the streets of Victoria that we do not like to see there—sights that are not in harmony with the general conditions in this city of pleasant prospects and high standards of social life.

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We do not like to see little girls, some of them very little girls, selling papers upon the streets. We do not think it can be a very pleasant thing for anybody to hear girls of tender years joining in the raucous chorus of the boys who peddle papers on the streets of this city.

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Our objection to girl newspaper vendors is not based upon the fact that exposure to the weather may be injurious to the health of the girls—although something might be said upon that point—for the Winter weather of Victoria is not cold at all compared with general climatic conditions on this continent, and the girls appear to be very comfortably clad. Nor is our objection based upon the associations of the streets, although something might be said upon that point too. We admit that our chief objection to such a sight upon the streets of Victoria is based upon prejudice. We even admit the truth of the allegation that has been hurled at our head—that that head is bursting with an overload of prejudices.

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But the prejudices in this case is based upon experience gathered in the course of associations with the printing and sale of newspapers in various parts of this continent. Selling newspapers on the streets is a desperately competitive business, and the desperation of the competition often leads to very sordid, sometimes to very brutal, expedients. The larger the city the more desperate the competition in the business of peddling newspapers.

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If you want to get some slight idea of the business, social and ethical aspects of selling newspapers on the streets, take a trip over to Vancouver. That of course is not a very agreeable way of extending the bounds of knowledge, but it will not take you very long to survey the business of peddling newspapers as it is carried on in Vancouver. If you go over to Vancouver for the purposes of investigation you will notice that the business of peddling newspapers is almost entirely in the hands of the very young or the very old or the almost completely decrepit. Even in Vancouver, which is not yet a very large city compared with many other cities on this continent, you will see many sights upon the streets connected with the business of peddling newspapers that will create disquietude in your mind and sorrow in your heart. In some of its aspects the battle of life, like modern trench warfare, is not a matter of pomp and circumstance. It is unlovely, sordid, brutal.

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In a city much larger than either Victoria or Vancouver we remember an incident of the streets that confirmed and established our prejudice against women or girls going into the business of peddling newspapers. We were standing near the corner of Broadway and Anne Streets in the city of New York upon a certain Winter day. A very old and very ill-clad woman sold us a newspaper. Just as the transaction was completed a hulking hobbledehoy strode up and knocked the woman down with a smashing blow on the face. The young ruffian claimed exemption from punishment upon the ground that his territory had been invaded. He need not have attempted any extenuation of his brutal offence, because although the streets were crowded and a policeman was near at hand, no one paid any attention to the matter. A wreck of humanity with a broken and bleeding face and breast racked with sobs—of what concern is such a thing as that to the rushing crowd of a great city?

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We do not like to see any of the young girls of Victoria begin the business of life by selling newspapers on the streets. We think it is a pity something else cannot be found for them to do, although the girls are to be commended for their industry and enterprise in doing the only thing they can find to do. Without knowledge of the circumstances it would be impertinent to say more.

C.P.R. Pavilion Seen by 2,250,000 People

Interesting details of the Wembley Empire Exhibition buildings, which are now being dismantled, are furnished in a letter received at headquarters of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Captain J. D. Cameron, who had charge of the Canadian Pacific Pavilion at the Exhibition this year, reports that the Pavilion was open for 151 days, and a carefully compiled estimate of the number of people who visited it during this period was approximately two and a half million persons. As in the previous year, the exhibition of the Canadian, Around the World, and other films dealing with Canadian Pacific activities, attracted large audiences, averaging over 2,000 daily and totalling approximately 320,000 during the course of the exhibition. Lecturers were in constant attendance during the daily showing of some 30,000 feet of film, and the cinema became a recognized meeting place for parties from provincial cities and the rendezvous of large numbers of school children and the general public.

Although the number of people who visited the exhibition this year was not so great as in 1924, the value of enquiries was probably higher. A large number of these enquiries were received from tourists and people desirous of visiting the Dominion, New Zealand, Australia and other parts of the world and for the round-the-world cruise by Canadian Pacific liners. Many questions were also asked in connection with the establishment of industries and branch factories in Canada, but, as might have been anticipated, the largest number of persons dealt with were those desirous of settling on farms in the Dominion, either under the Canadian Pacific, the 3,000-family scheme, or other plans. Enquiries of this kind came from farm laborers and domestics requiring employment in this country, and from boys and their parents anxious to learn the latest information as to the plans for settlement of boy farmers in the Dominion.

From the time the exhibition opened in the morning until it closed at night the Canadian Pacific Pavilion was always a great centre of attraction for the public. An additional feature of interest was lent by the installation of the Canadian Pacific model train, together with a replica of Banff Station, and Canadian Pacific scenery in the Rockies, at Treasure Island, which was probably one of the most successful features of the exhibition.

Notable Anniversaries

On December 16, 1773, occurred the incident which has been jocularly described as "the Boston tea party," when a mob of white men, disguised as Indians, boarded a vessel in Boston Harbor and destroyed its cargo of tea. This action, not very formidable in itself, took on importance as the culmination of the colonists' resistance to taxation by the home authorities. The tea tax became the central point of this resistance because all the other obnoxious duties formerly imposed were removed by an Act of the home Parliament passed at the instance of the Lord North Ministry, the impost on tea being left as an expression of the mother country's right to tax the colonists. The action of the Boston mob angered the King and his advisers, who proceeded to more arbitrary measures against the colonists. Three years later came the Declaration of Independence.

Harbor Board Inquiry May Entail Serious Results to Members

If, in the opinion of Major W. M. McKay, City Prosecutor of Vancouver, allegations of criminal offences committed by members and officials of the Vancouver Harbor Board are correct, action will be commenced in the Courts, according to a return made in the House by Attorney-General Manson in answer to questions asked by Mr. R. H. Pooley, Opposition Leader. Allegations of wrong-doing were contained in an affidavit dated October 16, 1925, and made by Mr. W. K. Morrison and sworn to before Mr. A. L. P. Hunter.

The Attorney-General said that the matter was now the subject of investigation by Major McKay, and on his report would rest future action, including the matter of representation to the Minister of Marine at Ottawa.

The Weather

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B.C., at 8 p.m. December 15, 1925.

TEMPERATURE

	Min	Max
Victoria	41	48
Vancouver	40	46
Kamloops	32	38
Barkerville	24	34
Prince Rupert	40	52
Estevan	42	48
Atlin	24	30
Dawson, Y.T.	14b	—
Calgary, Alta.	22	44
Winnipeg, Man.	12	18
Portland, Ore.	40	52
San Francisco, Cal.	46	56
Seattle	42	52
Spokane	34	54
Penticton	35	46
Vernon	33	50
Grand Forks	26	34
Nelson	32	34
Edmonton	14	26
Prince Albert	10	22
Swift Current	14	26
Qu'Appelle	8	20

TUESDAY

Maximum	48
Minimum	41
Average	44
Minimum on the grass	43
Bright sunshine, 12 minutes.	
Rain, .48 inch.	
General state of the weather, cloudy	

FORECAST

Victoria and Vicinity—Increasing east and south winds, mild with rain.

Vancouver and Vicinity—Increasing east and south winds, mild with rain.

5 P.M. Weather Reports

Victoria—Barometer, 29.14; wind, N.E., 2 miles; cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.14; wind, N.E., rain.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.12; wind, E., 4 miles; cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.92; calm, rain.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.94; wind, S.E., 18 miles; rain.

Estevan—Barometer, 29.94; wind, S.E., 10 miles; rain.

Tatoosh—Barometer, 29.18; wind, S., 18 miles; rain.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 29.28; wind, N.W., 4 miles; fair.

Seattle—Barometer, 29.18; wind, S., 18 miles; cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 29.18; wind, N.W., 4 miles; fair.

Good Government Aim of Confucius

The veneration attached to the famous sage of China by all educated Chinese, as well as thousands of others, is a great tribute to the writings and teachings of a man who lived between the years 550 and 478 B.C.

Confucius belonged to one of the grandest lineages of China, having been traced to Hwang-ti, through the sovereigns of the dynasty of Shang. The family became reduced from royalty to more subordinate positions, and in the early part of the sixth century B.C., Shuh-liang Heih, the father of the sage, an officer renowned for strength and daring, was the commandant of the district of Tsow.

Confucius held views that would have delighted our grandfathers, but are rather sneered at by the rising generation. He told the Marquis of Ts'i that good government obtained when the ruler was ruler, and the minister was minister, when the father was father, and the son was son. He considered society as an ordinance of heaven, and made up of the following five relationships: Ruler and subject, husband and wife, father and son, elder brothers and younger, and friends. The first four relationships necessitated rule on the one side and submission on the other; the ruler should be righteously and benevolently conducted, the submission should be given in righteousness and sincerity; the fifth relationship implied the mutual promotion of virtue as the guiding principle among friends.

A Model State

The wisdom of this remarkable man is known to the whole civilized world, and a few of his dreams and hopes, if attainable, would be a welcome change to the conditions in some quarters of the globe nowadays. One of his great aims was to produce a model state, as we of today sometimes deplore the "days of old," so Confucius pointed to the examples of perfect virtue in former times. He said that any ruler of his day, who would listen to him, might reform and renovate his own state, and his influence would extend beyond to other states until the whole kingdom should be filled with a relation-keeping, well-fed, happy people. He said: "Not more surely does the grass bend before the wind than the masses yield to the will of those above them," and contended that given the model ruler, the model people would forthwith appear. His appeal for a trial of his views was thus put into words by him: "If any ruler would submit to me as his director for twelve months, I should accomplish something considerable, and in three years I should accomplish the realization of my hopes." His request was never granted, and the truth, or otherwise, of his contention can only be a matter of conjecture.

He introduces his high opinion of the rulers of previous days into his "Book of Filial Obedience," and also gives his ideas on a son's duties towards his parents. "The former monarchs possessed the summit of virtue, and the utmost limit of reason, the people harmonized with them, the upper and lower classes were not agitated by contention. Filial piety is the root of virtue, and they instilled it into the rising generation. Filial piety commences by reverence towards parents, centres in fidelity towards the Prince, terminates in establishing a good reputation."

Filial Piety

The book is written in sections, each showing the effect of filial piety. The second section is on the Emperor, and the sage says: "He who loves his parents cannot hate mankind; he who reveres them cannot be brutal towards society at large."

The third section is devoted to the courtiers. "They should not be proud of their elevation, but dignified, not timid; and when invested with office, should act with propriety, like a vessel filled to the brim, but yet not overflowing. Thus they will attain respect and honor."

In section VI he records his views on the duties of the common people thus: "To make use of the course of the seasons and fecundity of the ploughed earth, behave themselves with propriety, and support their parents. By an uninterrupted chain of filial duties from the prince to the peasant calamity is averted; it cannot even exist."

The eleventh section, considering duty in its relation to punishment, he writes: "The five modes of punishment comprehend a class of three thousand crimes; but the greatest of all is a want of filial affection—diminishing respect to the Prince and his dignity, substituting anarchy for the conduct of the saints."

There are numerous interesting remarks all through the eighteen sections. Kindness and submission to the aged, gratitude for parental care, rendering back at the close of life those benefits which the adult so freely gives to his offspring. Dutiful, but not unqualified submission, is promulgated from first to last.

The conclusion of the eighteenth section contains the following on mourning for parents: "This is the conduct of a dutiful son when he grieves for the death of his parents: There is no clamor in his grief, no ostentation in the funeral rites, no flowers of rhetoric in his speech, no gaiety in his appeal; when he listens to music, there is no pleasure in its strain; when he eats, no savor in his food; such is his sorrow."

The "Big Cheese" Is The Man Wanted by Accounts Committee

"The big cheese" is the man we want," remarked the member for Alberni, Major R. J. Burde, at the Public Accounts Committee of the Legislature yesterday morning, when the chairman, Capt. Ian Mackenzie, Liberal member for Vancouver, announced that they had been set up to investigate the liquor question, and he wished to have the instructions of the committee.

"Do you wish to call one man from each brewery," asked the chairman.

Major Burde: "We want to examine the malster, as we are chiefly concerned with the quality of the beer that is being supplied. And we want the manager of the Amalgamated Brewers' Agency, whoever he might be, on the question of the arrangement between them and the Government. "He's the big cheese," he added.

It was decided also to call the Liquor Commissioner, and to take evidence as soon as possible.

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Letters to the Editor

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The British Navy

Sir, I was very much disgusted with the remarks Mr. Clem Davies made in regard to the British navy. He said they were bottled up at Scapa Flow, the naval base. Now I would like to ask him one question, what is my brother doing lying underneath the waves at Jutland if they were at Scapa Flow all the time?

I feel very hurt over this thing when anyone with common sense knows what the navy has done, and I think that the least we can do is to respect those brave lads who gave their lives for us. I should suggest to Mr. Davies, and anyone else with the same ideas on the British navy, to keep them to themselves. I wonder what would have happened at that meeting should he have been speaking in the United States and said the same thing about the American navy.

I would ask Mr. Davies another question. Has he ever read in history or any other place where anybody ever bottled up the British navy? I don't think so, or that they ever ran away, and when Admiral Sturdee met the Germans at the Falklands he very soon put them where they belonged, but when Von Spee, that he sent to the bottom, met the small British force prior to this, did they run away? no, they did not, they faught like men, though they never had a chance in the world.

No, Mr. Davies, the spirit of Drake and Nelson still rules the British navy, and we can thank God, or maybe neither you nor me would be here tonight. You people with your talk about doing away with the navy and all that kind of thing! It is all right providing the other fellow has got them, but I don't see any sign from the other fellow so far. Have you or anyone else ever heard the Huns say they are sorry for what they started; if they did it must have been in a whisper. Another thing, as Mr. Davies is such an expert on movies, etc., what was he doing when the war was on. I did not notice him in Flanders when I was there. Now, Mr. Editor, I am through and I say good luck to the navy and let our motto be like theirs, "Ready, Aye, Ready."

EDWIN FREEMAN.

Lake Hill P.O., December 13, 1925.

Gulf Islands Hospital

Sir,—The Board of Management of the Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital would be greatly obliged if you would permit them, through the columns of your paper, to express their thanks to the judges and the large number of people who in various ways helped to contribute to the great success of the children's fancy dress ball, given in aid of the funds of the above hospital.

A. INGLIS.

Acting secretary, Board of Management, Lady Minto Gulf Islands Hospital, Ganges, B.C., December 11, 1925.

Game

Sir,—I see in your paper of this morning that there is a proposal to do away with the present Game Board and hand over the management of that important matter to the police! Probably the next thing that will be handed over to the police will be the museum and that will be followed by the Agricultural Department and the Provincial Library.

I desire to say no word against the police in their proper place as guardians of the peace of the community, but I do not believe that they know anything about the conservation of game.

Why do not our rulers condescend to follow an example set by another Dominion where the introduction of and preservation of game is most successful and is one of the most wonderful things ever done by the British people in any part of the world. I refer to the Dominion of New Zealand, which today is one of the finest sporting countries in the world. The streams and lakes teem with trout of all kinds, and salmon, both Pacific and Atlantic. Inland there are pheasants, quail, hares and rabbits. In the woods there are deer, red and fallow, and also elk and moose, and on the mountains there are mountain sheep and goats from the hills of B.C.

When the English took possession of New Zealand in 1840, there were no fish, except eels, in the waters, and no animals at all on the land. This marvelous result has not been brought about by the police, or by the Government either for that matter. There is not space to describe the process adopted but I shall be glad to explain it to any interested persons.

CHARLES H. BARBE.

407 Belleville Street, Victoria, B.C., December 13, 1925.

The British Navy

Sir,—It was only yesterday that my attention was drawn to the remarks lately made on this subject by one well known in Victoria. The British navy stands in no need of defence from me, but I cannot pass over in silence the insulting misstatements I refer to.

Those who had the honor of knowing naval men, whether of the R.N., the R.N.R., or the R.N.V.R. during the war know how very far from being scared to death they were of submarines or anything else. It is not the way of British seamen.

In proof of this I give you permission to come and see me (or to send a representative) and I will show you the authorized list published by the Admiralty on September, 1918, of the 150 German submarines sunk or captured, together with the names of their commanders. Was this the work of scared men? I could also show a copy, or rather a reproduction, of the German chart, giving the sinking of vessels around our coast in one year, during which time, as also during the whole war, regular communication was kept up with the armies across the Channel and also a regular patrol in the North Sea. Anyone examining this chart would realise that this was done by men who feared nothing, who took their lives in their hands every hour and quietly did their duty and did not talk.

Anyone who dares to say that the British navy was scared stiff proves, firstly, his own colossal ignorance, and, secondly, his inability to understand the meaning of the words "Devotion to Duty," the watchwords of that great service.

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(From The Daily British Colonist of December 16, 1875)

At the regular meeting of Vancouver Lodge, No. 2 A.F. & A.M., held last evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: F. Oesterhout, W.M.; Thos. Ings, S.W.; R. J. McDonald, J.W.; C. F. Becker, Treasurer (re-elected); Thos. Cunliffe, Tyler.

The Board of Delegates of the Fire Department met on Tuesday evening last, when the Firemen's Charitable Society was finally organized. The object of the Society is to grant relief to firemen disabled in active service, or in illness resulting therefrom, or to the widow should death ensue from accident sustained.

Appointments—Charles T. Dupont, Esq., to be an official assignee of British Columbia, and C. M. Chambers, Esq., to be a Commissioner of Pilots for British Columbia, vice Capt. Raymur, resigned, are gazetted at Ottawa.

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Pilchards Too Good For Fertilizer, Is Opinion of House

Representations were made to the Dominion Government against the use of food fish for reduction purposes, stated Hon. William Sloan, Commissionar of Fisheries, in the Legislature on Monday night, but while heed had been given to the protests against using herring for making fertilizer, permission had been granted for the use of pilchards.

The Commissioner declared that he agreed heartily with Mr. R. H. Pooley, Conservative Leader, who had raised the subject, and who protested against the use of pilchards for such purposes. Mr. Pooley contended that pilchards were a most excellent fish and it would be a sensible idea to advertise their use as a food.

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Martyr Achieved Hope of Lifetime

Translation of William Tyndale Was Genesis of the Bible in English

In spite of the inclement weather there was a large attendance Monday evening in the Memorial Hall, when Dean Quainton gave a most interesting address on "The Life and Times of William Tyndale." The speaker of the evening was introduced by the Rev. Dr. W. G. Wilson, of the First United Church.

The Dean, before dealing with the actual life and work of William Tyndale, gave a brief and concise sketch of the times immediately preceeding Tyndale's day, showing to what state the influence of Rome and the Popes had come, how the great revival of learning began to spread gradually throughout the Continent and into England, and how, fighting against many odds, Tyndale achieved his great success.

Before Tyndale's time there had been translations of the Bible, but being for the most part written in Latin, there was but few people besides the clergy who could read them.

Of Tyndale's life, the Dean spoke briefly. William Tyndale, so far as history related, was born about the year 1495, in Gloucestershire, England, and as Fox says, "received his early education at Oxford University." The actual details of his early life were uncertain, but the most notable influence of his life at Oxford has been his immediate contact with the "free air of the revival of learning." For six years, after leaving Oxford, Tyndale studied at Cambridge, where Erasmus had been before him.

Perhaps one of the greatest influences of Tyndale's life had been the famous Erasmus, from whose teachings he drew inspiration for an English translation of the Bible. Tyndale was forced to go to the Continent, where, for the first time in history, the Bible was printed in English.

"Tyndale, as a translator, was a genius," said the Dean, "his genius taught him to reveal its powers in clothing the splendors of the Bible in English speech worthy of their greatness."

Mr. F. G. Richards Was Buried Yesterday

The funeral service for the late Mr. Francis Gilbert Richards, late sheriff, was conducted at his late residence, 1000 Craigdarroch Road, yesterday at 2:30 o'clock, by the Rev. A. K. McMinn, of the Metropolitan United Church. There was a large attendance of sympathising friends and relatives and many beautiful floral designs were received which filled a special car.

The hymns sung were "Nearer My God to Thee" and "Peace, Perfect Peace." Mr. C. Conyers rendered a solo entitled "Farewell," while Mr. Edward Parsons presided at the piano. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. J. D. Virtue, J. H. Baker, F. C. Paterson, John Cochrane, R. Sangster and W. H. Bullock-Webster. The body was laid to rest in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

A number of the fraternal societies with which Mr. Richards was identified had representatives at the funeral.

Mystery Marks Murder Done in Northern Bush

Investigation Into Death of Mr. R. Tyhurst Shows Act Was Carefully Planned—Auto Used by Fugitives

Telephone Wires Severed

Further details have come through from the East with regard to the brutal murder of Mr. Robert Tyhurst at St. Michel des Saints, a village sixty-two miles north of Joliette, Province of Quebec.

Mr. Tyhurst, who formerly lived here, and married into a local family, was manager of the St. Maurice Paper Company, Limited, at St. Michel. Since the brief report came through of his murder on Friday, December 4, it has been reported by wire that two men have been apprehended, and have made an appearance in police court.

Shot in Office

Information obtained by the Provincial detectives and testimony heard at the inquest on December 5, when a verdict of murder was returned, was that Tyhurst was seated in a chair at his desk in the office of his home talking to Louis Charron, an employee of the company, when the shooting occurred. A moment before Armand Bourdeau, another employee of the company, who had been in the room, left at Tyhurst's request to order the automobile for Saturday morning, as Tyhurst intended going into the bush to watch the progress of the work there. Bourdeau had just closed the door when the shot rang out and Tyhurst attempted to stand up, but collapsed in his chair.

For a moment both Bourdeau and Charron were so surprised that they did not move, and then both rushed to the manager's assistance. They found that he was dead. The bullet had entered the head just under an ear and the jaw was fractured.

Mysterious Auto Seen

Neighbors heard the shot, as the manager's house is located in the middle of the village. As they came from their homes they saw a large automobile turning from the side street that runs beside Tyhurst's home, and turn into the main road and speed away towards the south. It was so far away even then that no one was able to give an accurate description of the automobile nor estimate how many persons it contained. One neighbor, however, recalled that the automobile, a few minutes before the shooting, had gone up the side street. It is thought that it turned, and as it passed the window behind Tyhurst as he sat in his chair, it slowed down and the shot was fired. After the shooting Dr. Portancier, of St. Michel, was summoned.

Bullet Holes in Glass

Examination of the house by the detectives, upon their arrival at St. Michel on Saturday evening, showed that there was a small hole in the glass of the double window, while in the pane of the inside window the hole was considerably larger. Investigation showed that there was no possibility of the shot having been a stray one fired by a hunter, as the house is at the junction of two streets in the centre of the village.

The detectives questioned other employees of the company at the village closely, and found that Tyhurst had had no trouble with any of his men there.

Cut 'Phone Wires

To assure a safe getaway, the murderer or murderers cut the telephone wire connecting the main line with the bungalow. The telephone wire was also cut at each side of the village of St. Zenon, where there was a central telephone, thus preventing any communication between the village of St. Michel and outside points. The nearest point where a telephone could be found on Saturday morning was at St. Felix de Valois, fifty-seven miles from St. Michel, and it was from there that word first came to the Provincial Police at Montreal.

Inquiries were made at Joliette, at St. Gabriel and at St. Felix concerning the automobile, but nothing definite was obtained.

Believe Revenge Motive

Detectives investigating the case are of the opinion that the motive for the crime is revenge. It is believed that in handling his business Mr. Tyhurst may have incurred the ire of some men whom he had at times to discharge or lay off.

A relative of the dead man, Mr. J. Robertson, of 263 Bishop Street, Montreal stated to The Montreal Gazette, that he had heard Tyhurst say six weeks ago that his life had been threatened, detectives believe by a former employee of the company. Mr. Robertson and J. P. MacLaurin, a friend of Tyhurst, were of the opinion that this threat had come through an anonymous letter.

At the request of the St. Maurice Paper Company, Limited, agents of the Pinkerton National Detective Agency started work on the case to assist the Provincial police.

The funeral of Tyhurst took place from the residence of his cousin, D. Robertson, Bishop Street, Montreal.

The esteem in which the late Mr. Tyhurst was held by his personal friends and business associates was shown by the mass of flower offerings, among which was a wreath from two of the murdered manager's office boys.

Shortly before he was struck by the fatal bullet, Mr. Robertson had been talking over the long-distance wire to his wife in Three Rivers, and had told her that he was going to bring her and their three-year-old son James to Montreal to live in the near future.

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Obituary

LYNE—Service for the late Mrs. Margaret Ellen Lyne will be held at Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Rev. F. C. Chapman will officiate and interment will be made at Ross Bay Cemetery.

RITCHIE—There passed away in Vancouver last Saturday Alexander Ritchie, aged forty years, youngest son of the late James Ritchie, formerly of the City Waterworks Department. He was born in Carleton, Quebec, and had been a resident of this Province for the last thirty-five years. The body will arrive today and will be conveyed to Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

ARMSTRONG—The funeral of the late Private Armstrong, D.C.M., M.M. of the P.P.C.L.I., will take place at 10:30 a.m. today from St. Paul's Garrison Church, Esquimalt, with full military honors, the Rev. F. C. Chapman officiating. Deceased, who was a world war veteran, passed away at Work Point Barracks on Saturday night after a very short illness. He enlisted in 1914 with the 29th Battalion, and went overseas with this unit, landing in the war area about September, 1915. During hostilities he was wounded three times and gassed twice. He was decorated with the D.C.M. and the M.M. He was presented with a gold watch by the town of Wallsend, England, on April 2, 1919. On returning to Canada he reenlisted with the P.P.C.L.I., and was serving with this unit until the time of his death a few days ago. He leaves a widow and three children.

KEMSLEY—Funeral service will be held at the Thomson Funeral Home, 1625 Quadra Street, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, for the late Charles Clyde Kemsley, who passed away at the family residence, 1747 First Street, Sunday evening. The Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, M.A., of St. John's Church, will officiate, after which the body will be laid to rest in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

CHUN—The death occurred last Saturday afternoon in this city of Lay Chun, aged fifty-six years, a native of Canton, China, and a resident of this city for the last twenty-four years. He is survived by his widow and three children, also one brother, Lee Chun, of this city. The cortege proceeded from the Thomson Funeral Home Monday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, to the Chinese Cemetery, where the usual Confucian rites were held and interment was made.

DEAR—The funeral of the late Claud Dear, who passed away at the Royal Jubilee Hospital Saturday, will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Sands Funeral Chapel under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Foresters, and the body will be laid to rest in Ross Bay cemetery. Mr. Dear was born in Nottingham, England, thirty-eight years ago and had been a resident of this city for the last thirteen years, lately residing at 1463 Finlayson Street. He is survived by his widow and two sons, Harold and Victor, at home.

MILLBOURNE—The funeral of the late Elsie Millbourne, wife of Mr. Ralph Millbourne, of Vancouver, will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from McCall Bros.' Funeral Home, corner of Johnson and Vancouver streets. The Rev. A. K. McMinn, assistant pastor of the Metropolitan United Church, will conduct the service, after which the body will be laid to rest in Royal Oak Burial Park.

BOSSI—The funeral of the late Angelica P. Bossi took place yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from McCall Bros.' Funeral Chapel, where service was conducted by the Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick. A large number of friends attended the service, during which two hymns were sung, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and "Peace, Perfect Peace." Interment was made in the family plot at Ross Bay cemetery, with the following friends as pallbearers: Messrs. W. T. Serase, A. Tudor, J. Barry, J. R. Ward, H. Tidbury and J. Creeden.

MARTIN—There passed away on Tuesday morning at 2511 Shelbourne Street, Margaret Ann Martin, aged sixty-five years, wife of Mr. Samuel G. Martin, formerly of Toronto. Deceased, who was born in Perth County, Ontario, and came to British Columbia to reside in 1919, leaves a husband and two daughters, Mrs. F. S. Sinclair, of Quebec, and Mrs. L. H. Farrow, of Abbotsford, B.C.; also two sons, J. D. Martin, of Cambridge, Mass., and J. E. Martin, of Havre, Montana. The body is resting at McCall Bros.' Funeral Home and will be taken today to her late residence, where a service will be held tonight at 8 o'clock. The Rev. M. D. McKee will conduct the service, after which the body will be forwarded to Vancouver for cremation.

Notaries Bill Is To Be Withdrawn

Status of Existing Notarial Commissions to Be Reviewed, Committee Decides

As was to be expected, the Notaries and Legal Profession Amendment Bill, introduced by Capt. Ian Mackenzie, Vancouver, is to be withdrawn. This is the decision of a special committee comprising non-legal members of the Legislature and presided over by Dr. Wrinch, Liberal member for Skeena.

Besides the withdrawal of the bill, the committee, who had a final conference with the parties yesterday morning, will recommend to the House:

1.—That all existing notarial commissions be reviewed, with the cancellation of such of them as shall be found to be inactive;

2.—That, in future, notarial commissions be issued after examination of applicants;

3.—That the drawing up of wills, bills of sale and chattel mortgages be excluded from the functions of notaries, and confined exclusively to the Bar.

The recommendations are practically based on the matters on which the delegates from notaries, real estate men, chartered accountants and the Bar were in agreement when they came before the committee yesterday.

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Amalgamation of the Greater Vancouver Joint Sewerage and Drainage Board and the new Greater Vancouver Water District Board will be considered today when a delegation from Vancouver will meet the Government and Vancouver and locality members to discuss the situation.

Nothing of a definite character has yet been decided upon as far as the Government is concerned, but it is not considered likely that any difficulties will be placed in the way of meeting the wishes of the municipalities and Vancouver in the matter.

Search De Valera's Room

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Daily Mail says that while Eamonn de Valera was stopping at a hotel in Sligo, Ireland, last Sunday night, detectives entered his room, searched his clothing and examined his papers.

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Nice Berried Holly, per lb.	50c	Beef Kidneys, per lb.	28c
Bellflower Apples, delicious flavor, per box	$1.15	Fresh Codfish, per lb.	17c
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Huxtable	149	166	189—	504
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Kerr	123	190	152—	465
Elrick	126	145	124—	395
Eastwood	149	96	...—	245
Talbot	...	...	156—	156
Wilson	146	169	196—	511
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Girls' Central Carol Service—Tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock the pupils of Girls' Central School will give a Christmas carol programme, at which Dean Quainton will deliver an address. Parents and friends are cordially invited to be present.

Anniversary Reunion—The Victoria Unit, Army and Navy Veterans' Association will hold its anniversary reunion tonight, in the club premises, Fort Street, commencing at 6:30 o'clock. Members wishing tickets are requested to apply to the secretary or stewards without delay.

Canadian Legion—A general meeting of the Canadian Legion will be held this evening in the club rooms, 1406 Douglas Street, commencing at eight o'clock. The question of the unifying into one branch of all local ex-service organizations and the unaffiliated men will be dealt with.

Radio Club Meeting—On Thursday evening, in the New Thought Temple, commencing at 8 o'clock the Victoria Radio Club will hold the first of its special Winter meetings. During the evening demonstrations will be given. All members are requested to attend, and the public is cordially invited.

Your Mental Dynamo—Dr. A. F. Barton will deliver a lecture on "Your Mental Dynamo" in the New Thought Temple this evening at 8 o'clock. Dr. Barton's talks are very practical and applicable to every-day life. His talks are not only novel but intensely interesting.

Band Concert to Be Given—A band concert is to be given by the Junior A.O.F. at St. Mark's Hall, Boleskine Road, on Friday, December 18, at 8:30 p.m., under Bandmaster A. Rumsby, with vocal selections by Miss E. Mercer, Rev. H. V. Hitchcox, Mr. F. Hatherill, also humorous recitations by Mr. Arthur Cole.

"Trades Night"—The Young People of the First United Church met in the Sunday schoolroom on Monday evening for their regular weekly meeting. The proceedings were in the hands of Mr. Jack Taylor and took the form of "Trades Night," with three members of the Young People's department as speakers.

Scout Entertainment—The Boy Scouts and Wolf Pack of Royal Oak entertained their mothers and friends at a mothers' party on Saturday in the Royal Oak Hall. The boys made most excellent hosts and during the afternoon presented each mother of a scout or cub with some small gift made by themselves.

Ironworks Accident—Dr. Charles Duck, who was called into consultation in connection with the fatal accident, Saturday, to the late Mr. Charles Dear, corrects the statement which apparently suggested that he was there as a representative of St. Joseph's Hospital and not in his capacity of private physician and surgeon.

Conservatives Elect Officers—Ward Three Conservatives held their annual meeting December 14 at the Conservative rooms, when the following officers were elected: Chairman, E. B. L. Rogerson; secretary and treasurer, F. Garnham; members appointed to central executive: C. H. Revercomb, Hugh MacDonald, E. B. Jones and E. E. Coady-Johnson.

Christmas Tree—The Canadian Legion will hold its annual Christmas tree party for the children of its members and orphans of deceased ex-service men on Wednesday, December 30. The committee in charge is planning an attractive entertainment. Members are requested to register the names of their children with the secretary, Mr. H. P. Thorpe, as early as possible. The list will close on December 26.

Lecture to Be Given—Mr. J. W. Parker, head of the technical department of the Vancouver Public Schools, will visit Victoria during the week between Christmas and New Year, and will give a series of illustrated lectures on the Great Pyramid of Egypt, and its relation to science, history and prophecy, of which further notice, with particulars, will be given by advertisement.

Licences Switched—Charged with operating a motorcycle without a licence, E. Harris was fined $10 in police court yesterday. The evidence showed that accused gave the information that he had lost the licence for the machine, but investigation revealed the fact that he had switched a license from one cycle to another. He was informed that this was not allowed.

Closing Exercises to Be Held—Christmas closing exercises will be held in the North Ward School on Friday next at 10 a.m. The singing of Christmas carols by the pupils, and an address by the Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick will be features of the programme. A Christmas cantata entitled, "Mine Host Santa Claus," will be presented by the pupils of North Ward and Quadra primary schools on Thursday at 8 p.m.

Ward Six Ratepayers—Members of the Ward Six Ratepayers Association met last Monday night at the Temperance Hall at Keating. Election of officers took place, and Mr. E. P. Johnson was re-elected president, and Mr. George Stewart was again chosen as secretary. Delegates to the Central Ratepayers' Association will be Messrs. E. P. Johnson, George Stewart and H. E. Tanner. Councillor Hagen gave an account of his stewardship as councillor for the ward. Endorsation of candidates for municipal office was deferred until a special meeting which will be held shortly for that purpose. Health Centre and taxation problems were also discussed.

Battling Siki Shot to Death

Carpentier's Conqueror Found Murdered in Hell's Kitchen in New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—"Battling" Siki, the Senegalese pugilist, never one to confine his love of combat to the squared circle, fought his last fight early today in a "hell's kitchen" sidewalk.

Twelve hours after discovery of his body with two bullet wounds in the back, the former barroom boy decored "World War veteran, and participant in countless street and barroom brawls, lay in a morgue tonight, while police combed haunts of the underworld for his slayer.

The authorities were working on the theory Siki had become involved in an argument in one of the numerous night clubs near where his body was picked up and that he was followed into the street and slain. No important clue to his murderer has been found. His body was found and identified by a patrolman. In the gutter nearby was found a revolver with two exploded shells in the chamber. The police could find no witnesses to the shooting.

Siki's real name was Louis Phal. Mrs. Phal told police she believed she knew who shot her husband. She said Siki had eaten in a restaurant in the neighborhood the night before and his overcoat had been stolen. He had said he knew who took it and would go back at a time when he suspected the thief would be there. This and a story Siki had had trouble with a neighbor over a $20 liquor debt, were the only clues.

Saanichton Basketball

SAANICHTON, Dec. 15. — The James Island basketball team played Saanichton in the Agricultural Hall on Saturday evening, December 12, Saanichton winning by a considerable margin. The visitors played good ball, and with a little practice will make dangerous opponents.

The line-up was as follows—James Island: E. Buckle, F. Morris, W. Coopsie, L. Rose, T. Isherwood, J. Rogers.

Saanichton: M. Lennan, G. Lennan, G. Fagenberger, W. Turgoose, P. Turgoose, Ned Richardson.

Laborites to Adopt Aggressive Tactics

"Ginger Group" Stirs Up British Party—Will Oppose Government Measures

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The "ginger group" of the Labor party in the House of Commons made its influence felt today at a meeting of the Labor party. George Lansbury, member for Bow and Bromley, moved a resolution to make the Labor opposition in the House more aggressive than it has been, but an understanding was arrived at that the front bench itself would adopt a more vigorous attitude against the Government at the next session, and Lansbury withdrew his motion.

Lansbury, speaking later, said the Labor members would organize themselves to fight the Government's legislative measures at every step

New Express Rates Should Help Locally

Hothouse Association Should Feel Result of Lower Tariff to Prairie Markets

Before leaving for the East, Mr. G. Ford, of Winnipeg, Western superintendent of the Dominion Express Company, who was here last week in the course of a periodical inspection, said that the reduced Winter express rates on fruit and vegetables, effective last month by the Canadian Express companies, would benefit Canadian-grown produce.

He says the tomato business on Vancouver Island, which is operated by the Victoria Co-operative Hothouse Association, should benefit considerably by the new rates to the Prairies. Interior crops like celery are also expected to feel the advantage of the new schedules.

The effect may not be felt until second crops in some commodities are coming on, but the general result will be helpful. Mr. and Mrs. Ford left for the East on Monday evening.

Bread Price Probe Clears Speculators

Reports of Poor Crops Are Main Cause of Advance, Food Council Hears

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The price of Europe's loaf of bread is not set by the Winnipeg and Chicago wheat markets. This was testified at a hearing today by the government's food council which is investigating the advance in flour prices of twenty-five per cent since October 1.

Recent charges by the press and public that United States speculators were responsible for the boosting of prices were refuted by leading grain dealers, among them Sir Herbert Robson, who headed the government's grain control during the World War.

The paramount reasons for the increased bread prices, Sir Herbert and others said, were numerous and speculation in America had no connection with any of them.

Reports published in London that Russian speculators, acting on the Winnipeg and Chicago wheat markets, were responsible for the increase in flour prices, were not borne out. It was declared the rise in wheat prices was due chiefly to bad crop reports from Canada, Russia, Argentina and Australia.

Shansi Governor Joins Attack on General Feng

SHANGHAI, Dec. 16.—A Japanese dispatch from Peking today says that General Yen Hsi-Shan, governor of Shansi province, has decided to cooperate with General Li Ching-Ling, civil governor of Chihli, by attacking the troops of General Feng Yu-Hsiang at Kaigan, Feng's headquarters in Northwestern Chihli.

A Tientsin dispatch indicated that Li's forces, engaged with those of Feng near Tientsin, have advanced beyond Yangstun, twenty miles northwest of Tientsin.

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Parks to Get Improvements

Victoria-Saanich Beaches and Parks Committee Decides to Spend Money

Park improvements to an estimated cost of about $1,400 were decided upon yesterday afternoon by the Victoria-Saanich Beaches and Parks Committee.

The popularity of Cordova Bay beach, as attested last Summer by the big number of motor cars to be found parked in the vicinity on any fine day, led the committee to decide to enlarge the parking space opposite the Little Arctic pavilion at a cost of $590.

Additional parking space will also be provided at Mount Douglas Park, where facilities are at present somewhat cramped.

Mount Douglas Park will also be improved by the clearing of a playground space for children. The area selected for this purpose is just behind the present parking space. These operations will cost approximately $700.

The committee passed unanimously a resolution of thanks to Ald. A. E. Todd for the splendid nature of the work he has accomplished as a member of the joint municipal parks group.

Lake Hill School Entertains Friends

Concert Is Success — Youthful Actors Play Various Roles With Merit

A splendid spirit of co-operation between parents, pupils and teachers was forcibly displayed at the annual school concert of Lake Hill School, when the work of preparing and moving the stage for the event by a committee of parents, including Messrs. Hetherington, Dasle, Bradstock, Fowler, Stirrup, Cambray and Falkner. Assistance was also rendered by the Mission Hall and Messrs. Clatworthy and Mar. The teachers in charge of arrangements were Miss Wright and Miss Allison. Mr. Jeune, president of the Saanich Parent-Teacher Association, acted as chairman. While each and every item on the programme showed remarkable talent on the part of the young people, the first item on the programme, a "Fairy Play," won the whole-hearted approval of the audience. The lovely costumes of the several fairies and the royal robes of the king and queen threw the lovely evergreen arrangements of the stage, which represented a forest scene. The seniors were responsible for this item. The juniors also staged a fairy scene, when they depicted "how the fairies choose their queen." The programme follows:

Fairy Play, seniors. "The Lucky Page," by Roy Falkner, the page; A. Clatworthy, king; Ada Vowles, queen; May Pendray, Grace Squires and Alice Russell, princesses; John Cambray, Ian Fowler, Joe Hughes, enchanters; S. Armitage, Billie Stirrup, Eddie Brown, brownies; Eric Hetherington, Billie Pulver, pages; Hilda Dash, lady-in-waiting.

Monologue, Margaret Lowe; song, Ada Vowles; "the Sandman," juniors; piano solo, Ada Vowles; "The Versatiles," seniors; chorus, seniors; carol, Grace Squires, Alice Russell; recitation, "Captain," Willie Brown; folk dance, Ada Vowles, Alice Russell, Hilda Dash; solo, Eric Hetherington; fairy play, "How the Fairies Choose Their Queen," juniors; drill, juniors; Indian drill and play in costume, the pupils; jokes and lancers, the pupils.

Splendid lighting arrangements were provided by Mr. Hetherington and Mr. Bradstock, a lovely star, provided by this means, making the singing of a carol beautiful.

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Vancouver Island

City Proposes Loan For New Hospital

Three Petitions Presented to Nanaimo Council to Finance Building Payment

NANAIMO, Dec. 15.—Three petitions were received at the meeting of the City Council last evening requesting the Board to submit a by-law to the electors of the city at the next municipal elections for the purpose of borrowing a sum of money not exceeding $30,000 for the purpose of completing the construction of the new hospital now in course of erection.

Alderman Ironside moved, and his motion carried, that a by-law be formulated to carry out the wishes of the petitioners provided the ratepayers vote for same, the by-law to be submitted at the coming municipal elections. He wanted it distinctly understood by the voters that if they were in favor of the by-law, the sum voted would be a donation to the hospital. Alderman Planta, in seconding the motion, also added that it must be made clear to the ratepayers that they were voting for or against a straight donation. They were, if voting favorably, voting a gift, and should understand that their taxes would in future be increased accordingly.

According to the warrant book brought down last evening, the expenses of the Nanaimo City for the month of November totalled $16,137.24.

The medical health officer reported that for October, November and up to December 14, there had been fifteen quarantine cases; eleven for chickenpox, two for scarlet fever and two for mumps. The city, generally, was in an excellent state of health, the report concluded.

Junior Institute Holds Session

KEATING, Dec. 15.—The South Saanich Junior Institute Club held its annual meeting at the home of the Misses Ruby and Ona Young on Saturday afternoon. The meeting was well attended.

The treasurer's report was read, showing a good balance on hand.

The girls decided to make and sell candy at the country store for the Women's Institute. They will meet at the home of Miss Sherring on Thursday afternoon for the purpose of making the candy. Miss S. Styan being asked to buy the materials. Miss Hazel Lamont kindly consented to dress the doll, which will be a lucky prize at the country store.

The election of officers for the coming year then took place, with the following results: President, Miss M. Michell; secretary, Miss B. Sherring, and director, Miss I. Lawrie.

The sum of ten dollars was voted to the Solarium fund, and the club decided to give more aid at a later date. It was decided that the club should furnish the funds to make some much needed improvements in the kitchenette at Temperance Hall.

Miss Janet Sherring is spending a holiday in Port Angeles visiting relatives and friends and intends to remain for the holidays.

Miss Margaret Michell has returned home after spending a fortnight as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. Wynne, of Victoria.

Miss Grace Hansen, of "The Nest," Gilles Road, spent a few days in Vancouver during the week.

Mr. Eric Caldwell, of Ladysmith, was a visitor to the district during the week-end, making the trip by motor by way of the Mill Bay ferry.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Young were visitors to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Michell, East Saanich Road, during the week-end.

Two Games Played At Cobble Hill

COBBLE HILL, Dec. 15.—The Cobble Hill Basketball Club held a field night in the hall on Friday last, when the ladies' team lined up against a team from Duncan, and the boys received a visit from Shawnigan Lake.

In the ladies' match, the local aldo was defeated by twelve goals to ten after some close and interesting play. The team representing Cobble Hill consisted of Miss Adela Barry, Miss Rosa Barry, Miss M. Lowrie, Miss J. Simpson and Miss H. Macklin.

The Shawnigan Lake team was also victorious by a margin of twenty-six goals to nineteen. Gerald Barry played a capital game for the local boys, and Alec Lamont for Shawnigan. The local team consisted of D. Fobisher, G. Barry, Roy Campbell, T. Bull and F. Cearley. J. Evans, of Duncan, was referee for both games.

Dancing commenced at 10:30, and continued till midnight, the music being furnished by Miss Adela and Mr. Gerald Barry, and an excellent supper was provided by the local girls. About seventy people were present, and, as a result, the sum of $26 was added to the funds of the club.

South Cowichan Girl Guides Meet

COWICHAN STATION, Dec. 15.—The South Cowichan Girl Guides held their annual Christmas party on Friday afternoon in the Badminton Hall from 3 to 6 p.m., which commenced with a most instructive and helpful address given by Miss Denny, from Duncan, guide commissioner. Several of the guides received badges, and some new members (Brownies) were enrolled.

The tea tables had a very festive appearance, decorated with holly and flowers. After a sumptuous tea, provided by the guides and their parents, there was a folk dance, also drilling and games, under the directorship of Capt. Phyllis Wellich. A large Christmas tree adorned the centre of the hall, with glittering balls, sparkling ornaments, presents for the guides and their young brothers and sisters. An attractive fancy stall with useful, dainty gifts made by members of the corps, had a brisk trade.

Mr. Pompey Garnett gave a conjuring trick performance followed by a Christy minstrel show in costume by Mr. Sandilands, assisted by Mr. Garnett, which was a great delight and much enjoyed by the youngsters. The singing of the National Anthem concluded the entertainment. The officers and members of the South Cowichan Girl Guides are to be highly complimented for their efficiency and cleverness in arranging so successful an afternoon.

Brentwood Bay Concert Party Holds Banquet and Dance

BRENTWOOD, Dec. 15.—The West Saanich Women's Institute Hall was the scene of a very festive occasion on Monday evening, December 14, when the Brentwood Bay Concert Company held a banquet and dance.

The dinner tables were set in the form of a U, the decorations being Autumn leaves, bronze chrysanthemums and Christmas crackers, and at the head of the table were seated the president and executive of the concert company. Before sitting down to dinner the guests sang "O, Canada."

At the conclusion of the repast the chairman, Mr. W. C. Wallace, in his speech, said that he hoped this would be an annual event. He then proposed a toast to the Brentwood Bay Concert Company, which was replied to by Mr. H. Rochon. Mrs. H. A. Blakey gave a recitation entitled "The Wreck of the Julie Plante," by Henry Drummond. The toast, "To the Ladies," was proposed by Mr. H. A. Blakey, and replied to by Mr. T. Walker. Mr. Arthur Petch sang, "An Evensong." The toast "To the Press" was proposed by Miss Hilda Maber and replied to by Miss Gladys Guy. The singing of "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows" brought the formal part of the proceedings to a close. The floor was then cleared for dancing.

The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Blakey, Mr. and Mrs. A. Petch, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Freeland, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sluggett, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Smith, Mrs. A. Guy, Mrs. W. Watt, the Misses M. Taylor, Ruth and Lot Tomlinson, Roberta, Madeline and Shirley Sluggett, Hilda and Phyllis Maber, Freda and Gladys Durrance, Lillian Styan, Blanche Sherring, Edna Butler, Florence Hamilton, Daphne Clark, Flossie Woodward, Gladys Guy, Ruby Haddon, Lillian Walker, Sylvia Petch, and the Messrs. G. Guillmot, H. Rochon, T. Walker, E. Rochon, B. Fox, T. Haddon, S. Fox, C. Hammond, H. and C. Creed, C. Turner and C. Butler.

Dancing was kept up until about midnight, the music being supplied by the Misses H. Maber, M. Sluggett, L. Styan, and the Messrs. H. Rochon, H. A. Blakey and C. Turner.

North Saanich Social Club Holds Meeting

SIDNEY, Dec. 15.—The regular meeting of the North Saanich Social Club was held in the clubrooms, School Cross Road, on Saturday. Fourteen tables of progressive five hundred were in play, and two independent tables. The prize winners of the evening were Miss Molly Clarke and Mr. E. Knight. At the conclusion of the card game a dainty supper was served by the hostesses of the evening, Mesdames G. McLean, MacAulay and B. Readings. The evening ended with an enjoyable dance, excellent music being supplied by Mrs. McLean, Mr. W. Bosher and Mr. R. Brethour. The club is presenting the very successful pantomime which was held in Sidney last week, at Brentwood, on December 21. The Christmas tree will be held on December 17, at 4:30 p.m.

The Wolf Cub and Brownie Packs will hold an amusing entertainment in the Auditorium on Friday, December 18. Two short plays, several solos and various exercises are included in the programme.

Union Bay Personals

UNION BAY, Dec. 15.—Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Renwick, of the Customs office, have returned from an extended trip of Gulf cities.

Last evening witnessed an interesting and colorful event, on the occasion of a handkerchief shower, which was held by the local troop of C.G.I.T. in honor of the Misses Edith and Edna Humphries, who are leaving this city for Nanaimo. A very pleasant evening was spent in dancing and singing. During the evening a presentation was made by the president, Miss Winnie Mugford, to Miss A. Baillie, of the Union Bay School staff, whose marriage will take place shortly. The gift took the form of a black patent leather suit case, and Miss Mugford referred in a pretty speech to the great admiration and sense of loyalty that existed between the C.G.I.T. and Miss Baillie. Following a suitable reply, the remainder of the evening was devoted to further dancing and entertainment.

Messrs. Harwood and Horne spent the week-end as guests of Mr. Wm. Harwood, at Hornby Island.

Ladies' Aid Meet

KEATING, Dec. 15.—The Ladies' Aid Society of the South Saanich Church met in the church parlor on Thursday afternoon with a fair attendance, with the president, Mrs. McClure in the chair. The meeting opened with the reading of the minutes and the treasurer's report, the latter showing that a very satisfactory sum had been netted from the play, "Aunt Susan's Visit," which was presented during the month. A hearty vote of thanks was moved to the Sidney society for presenting this play, and also to the Young People's Club for assistance during the evening. The new officers were not elected as the society's year is not up till March 1. Plans were made for a sale of home-cooking which the society will hold in Spencer's basement on Saturday morning.

The Rev. Mr. Lees, pastor of the church, then gave an interesting address for which he was accorded a hearty vote of thanks.

Brentwood Bay Personals

BRENTWOOD, Dec. 15.—The West Saanich School concert will be held in the Institute Hall on Thursday evening, December 17, at 8 o'clock. The children have been working hard with recitations and sketches, and a good programme is assured.

The Anglican Sunday school at Brentwood will have a Christmas tree in the Institute Hall on Saturday evening, December 19, at 7 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Fox, who have been living at Mount Newton for the last four years, have taken up their residence on their farm on Tomlinson Road.

Members Seek To Keep English Language Pure

Sir Clive Phillipps-Wolley Chapter, I.O.D.E., Goes On Record Against Vulgar Comic Strips for Children

To Go to B.C. Chapter

COWICHAN STATION, Dec. 15.—The regular monthly meetnig of the Sir Clive Phillipps-Wolley Chapter, I.O.D.E., was held at the home of Mrs. Birch last week. Sixteen members were present. Several letters were read, one from the secretary of the Cowichan Chapter, expressing their thanks for the appreciation of their help at the Trafalgar Day ball by the Sir Clive Phillipps-Wolley Chapter, also from the secretary of the Sailors' Club, Esquimalt, sending a hearty vote of thanks for the donation of linen to the club from the chapter.

Greetings for Christmas, 1925, were sent from the president, officers and members of the National Executive Committee.

The following resolution was passed:

"Whereas, the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire undertakes, according to its constitution, to supply and foster a bond of union among the daughters and children of the Empire;

"And whereas, one of the strongest bonds of union is the undefiled English language, and whereas the educational work of the Order in the schools is in grave danger of being nullified by the press of Canada, introducing into the homes of the people a corrupt and distasteful form of English, illustrated by vulgar drawings in the comic pages of its papers, and whereas such pages specially written for children have a degrading effect on their speech and morals;

"Therefore, be is resolved that the Sir Clive Phillipps-Wolley Chapter, I.O.D.E., bring the matter to the notice of the Provincial chapter for endorsation and necessary action."

After the singing of the National Anthem, tea was served by the hostess and Mrs. Hunter.

Deluded Woman Dived From Bridge, But Caught in Time

NANAIMO, Dec. 15.—What appears to have been a case of attempted suicide by drowning in the Millstream on Sunday evening, was averted through the promptness of Mr. Wm. Hill, a resident of Nanoose Bay, B.C. Mr. Hill was driving into town, and as he approached the bridge over the Millstream, at the Quarterway House, he saw the form of a woman perched on the railing of the bridge, apparently just about to jump into the waters of the stream below. Mr. Hill stopped his car and grabbed the woman as she dived, and hauled her back on the bridge. She immediately took to her heels, and was only caught after a lengthy chase. The Provincial Police were notified, and took the unfortunate woman to the local hospital, where it was found she was suffering from mental delusions. At an early hour this morning it was reported her condition was much improved, and she would soon be in normal health again.

Women's Institute to Hold Annual Meeting

KEATING, Dec. 15.—The South Saanich Women's Institute will hold its annual meeting on Wednesday evening in the rooms at Temperance Hall. Reports of the standing committees will be given, and the election of officers will take place.

The South Saanich Farmers' Institute will meet on Wednesday evening in Temperance Hall, instead of Thursday, as there are other attractions in the district on that evening. The election of officers will take place and the members will be entertained by an address on "Potatoes."

The fortnightly card party of the South Saanich Women's Institute will be held in Temperance Hall on Saturday evening, December 19. This will be the last of the tournament series and the members of each sex with the highest tournament score at the termination of the game will be awarded the prizes. Misses Doris Michell, Hilda Styan, Edith Bickford and Ona Young are on the committee for the evening.

Chemainus Personals

CHEMAINUS, Dec. 15.—On Friday last, the Porter Chapter, I.O.D.E., held a successful sale of work in the old hall, Chemainus. The needlework stall, in charge of Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Southin, was well patronized, and the display of daintily-made articles was soon sold out. The tea tables, in charge of the members of the Chapter, were prettily decorated with chrysanthemums and foliage. The box of candy raffled was won by ticket No. 54, which was not presented. The holder of this ticket will receive the candy on applying to Mrs. L. G. Hill. The Girl Guides' stall had a good display of articles, $28.10 being realized from the sale of these. The proceeds for the Chapter amounted to $76. Members assisting during the afternoon were Mrs. F. Reed, Mrs. T. Porter, Mrs. Allan Porter, Mrs. W. Porter, Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Russell Robinson, Mrs. L. Robinson.

Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Rogers have left to spend a holiday in Victoria.

Funeral Saturday

COBBLE HILL, Dec. 15.—The funeral of the late Mr. G. A. Plumb, who died suddenly last week, took place on Saturday afternoon at the Methodist Church, Mill Bay, the service being conducted by the Rev. T. G. Barlow. The pallbearers were Captain T. Wilkinson and Messrs. W. Cheal, C. Meredith, T. Lewington, H. Trinder and E. T. West. The late Mr. Plumb, who was a native of Norfolk, England, and who had served with the Home Guards during the Great War, was in his fifty-ninth year, and had been twelve years in Canada, the last five of which were spent at Cobble Hill. Mr. L. C. Brockway was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

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If he is interested in cowboy stories he'll surely like to have one of these suits. Complete with hat, red neckerchief, shirt, pants, gun, holster, belt and lariat; sizes 3 to 10 years. Special at..... **$2.29**
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

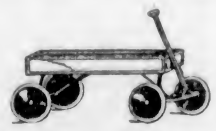
Drug Department Specials

For Half-Day Shoppers

Perfumes, specially boxed and a variety of odors..... **89¢**
Purse Perfumes, 25c values **17¢**
Cutex Sets, 60c size..... **49¢**
Swansdown Powder Puffs, with long handles; $1.35 and $1.50 values for..... **$1.25**

French Ivory Brushes, Combs and Mirrors, including brush, comb and mirror sets at..... **20% OFF**

Vegetal Shaving Lotion, $1.00 value..... **87¢**
M. & L. Florida Water, $1.00 value..... **83¢**
Nujol, large size; $1.00 value for..... **83¢**
Seidlitz Powders, 25c value **17¢**
Malt Extract, 85c value **69¢**
Dominion Hops, quarter size, 10c value..... 3 for **23¢**



Junior Wagons Special, $1.00

Strongly constructed wagons, with metal bodies and disc wheels, suitable for small children. Regular $1.95. Special this morning at..... **$1.00**
—Toytown, Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Folding Doll Cabs Special, $3.95

Four-Wheel Folding Doll Cabs, with rubber tired wheels. Complete with hood. Special this morning from..... **$3.95**
—Toytown, Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Fur-Trimmed Coats



Values to $25.00, Special $14.95

Well tailored from blanket cloth, velour, zibeline and other popular fabrics. Straightline and flared skirt styles, with collars of Thibetine, French seal and beaverine, some having cuffs to match; side trimmings of heavy stitching or buttons. Shown in grey, rust, sand, taupe and rose; well lined throughout. Sizes 16 to 42. Values to $25.00. Special at

$14.95
—2nd Floor, H.B.C.

Hand-Embroidered Irish Linen Tray Cloths

These will make ideal Christmas gifts, and at this low price are exceptional value. Made from a fine linen of close texture, and beautifully embroidered in many charming designs. Size 20 x 30. Value $2.50. Special at..... **$1.25**

Embroidered Pillow Cases

Made from pure linen yarns and embroidered in many charming designs, finished with scalloped and hemstitched ends. Size 42 by 36. Per pair **$1.50**

Pure Linen Damask Tablecloths

An exceptional offering in pure linen Damask Tablecloths in popular designs. Suitable for everyday use.
Size 72 by 72. Price **$4.98**
Size 72 by 90. Price **$6.98**
Napkins to match, doz.. **$6.98**

Beacon Robing $1.25 a Yard

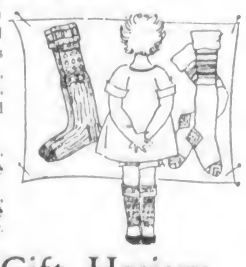
The popular fabric for dressing gowns and bathrobes for men's, women's and children's wear. A large range of designs and colorings to choose from; 36 inches wide. Per yard..... **$1.25**
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Fancy Turkish Towels in Holly Boxes

A wide range of sizes and qualities to choose from, all neatly boxed for Christmas giving. Prices **79c, $1.00, $1.35, $1.50** and **$1.75**
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Children's Rayon Silk Socks

At 49c and 69c Pair



Rayon Silk Socks, with turn-down elastic ribbed tops and reinforced heels and toes. Shown in sky, peach, helio, buttercup, sand, pink, brown and white.
Sizes 4 to 7½. Special at, per pair..... **49¢**
Sizes 8 to 10. Special at, per pair..... **69¢**
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Women's Gift Hosiery

Special for This Morning

Rayon Silk Hose, with hemmed tops and reinforced heels and toes. Shown in apricot, shell, sunburn and black. Sizes 8½ to 10. Special at, per pair **45c**
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Set of Six Butter Spreaders, $1.98

English Plated Butter Spreaders, with white handles. Six in a leatherette plush lined case for..... **$1.98**
—Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Tokanobe Bowls and Vases, 50c

Special clearance of 100 Tokanobe Bulb Bowls and Flower Vases. Suitable for Christmas gifts. This morning..... **50¢**
—Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Half-Day Specials in the Grocery and Fresh Meat Sections

California Seeded Muscat Raisins, per packet..... **15¢**
Choice California Light Bleached Sultana Raisins, per lb., **20¢**
Choice California Dark Sultana Raisins, per lb..... **15¢**
Sun-Maid Three Crown Loose Muscatel Raisins, per lb., **15¢**
Finest Quality Recleaned Filiatras Currants, per lb..... **14¢**
3 lbs. for..... **40¢**
Mixed Peel, comprising equal quantities of Imported Lemon, Orange and Citron; per lb., **38¢**
2 lbs. for..... **75¢**
Baker's Unsweetened Chocolate, ½-lb. package..... **28¢**
2 for..... **55¢**
Clark's Choice Mincemeat, 5-lb. tin..... **$1.25**
Imperial Standard Banquet Candles, assorted colors. Per box..... **40¢**

Fresh Fruit

Finest Quality Local Cooking Apples, per box..... **$1.25**
Fancy Okanagan Table Apples, 3 lbs. for..... **25¢**
Japanese Oranges, per box **75¢**
New California Navel Oranges, per dozen, **25¢, 35¢, 50¢** and..... **60¢**
Choice Florida Grapefruit, each, **10¢** and..... **15¢**

Fresh Meat

Sirloin Steak, per lb..... **27¢**
Round Steak, per lb..... **20¢**
Shoulder Steak, per lb., **15¢**
Loin Mutton Chops, lb., **45¢**
Loin Pork Chops, per lb., **35¢**
Loin Veal Chops, per lb., **30¢**
Stewing Beef, Lean; 2 lbs. **25¢**
Corned Briskets, per lb., **12¢**
Corned Rumps, per lb..... **15¢**
Corned Rounds, per lb..... **20¢**
Pickled Tongues, per lb..... **30¢**
Pickled Pork, per lb..... **25¢**
Tripe, per lb..... **10¢**
—Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Special Turkey Luncheon at 50c

Will be served this morning from 11:30 to 12:45 in our Victorian Restaurant, Fourth Floor.

Women's Gift Scarves, Special $2.29

Fine Quality Cashmere Scarves in stripe and checked designs, finished with fringe ends. Shown in sand and brown, grey and Copenhagen, pencil blue and grey, fawn and orange. Special at..... **$2.29**
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

An Exceptional Offering in

Women's Gloves

Women's Chamoisette Gloves with silk embroidered points and two dome fasteners. Shown in beaver, grey, mode, pastel, cocoa, sand, mastic and black. Sizes 6 to 8. Special at, per pair..... **49¢**
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Gift Suggestions for Men

Togo Towel Bath Robes
Made from heavy Turkish towelling, with blue, orange or helio stripes. A new idea that serves as bath robe and towel in one. Quantity limited, so shop early. Priced at..... **$4.95**

Pure Silk Knitted Ties
Welch Margetson's Pure Silk Knitted Ties in beautiful color combinations. Neatly boxed for Christmas giving. Price..... **$2.49**

Auto Gauntlets
An ideal gift for the man who drives a car. Made from black sheepskin, out seams, with gauntlet cuffs. All sizes. Neatly boxed. Per pair..... **$1.95**

Pyjamas
Made from good quality English flannelette in an assortment of novelty stripes. Cut good and roomy with silk braid buttonholes. Sizes 36 to 44. Boxed for Christmas giving. Per suit..... **$3.19**

Peccary Hog Gloves
Soft and pliable gloves, and ideal for the man who drives a car. Made from genuine Peccary hog, and washable. Sizes 7¾ to 9. Pair, **$3.59**
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Men's Gift Slippers

Special at $1.00

Woollen Felt Slippers in dark plaid pattern. Everett style, with felt and leather soles; low heels. All sizes. Buy now for Christmas gifts. Special at, pair, **$1.00**
No Phone Orders, Please
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Bead and Pearl Necklets, 89c

Long, medium and choker styles in an assortment of designs and colors. Also indestructible pearl necklets, 30 inches long, graduated, and finished with brilliant studded safety fastener. Values to $1.95. Special at..... **89¢**

Chinese Baskets

To Contain Candies or Sewing Supplies

Large size, suitable for workbaskets, candy baskets, etc. Covers trimmed with Chinese coins, beads and silk tassel, finished with double glass ring handles. Special at..... **89¢**
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Remnants of Curtain Fabrics at Half Price

In this assortment you will find remnants of scrims, Marquisettes, nets, voiles, muslins, cretonnes, casement cloths, etc. Suitable fabrics for many purposes. Today..... **Half Price**
—3rd Floor, H.B.C.

Bissell's Carpet Sweepers for $4.69

The standard Bissell's Carpet Sweeper in mahogany finished case, with the newest adjustment. Would make a very useful gift for the home. Special at, each..... **$4.69**
—3rd Floor, H.B.C.

Society and Women's Affairs

Cranleigh House School

An enjoyable evening was spent on Monday by a gathering of about 200 parents and friends of the Cranleigh House School, the chief features of the evening being four excellent boxing bouts by the boys, refereed by their instructor, Mr. Feilman, the Rev. Mr. Nunns acting as timekeeper. The headmaster, Mr. C. V. Milton, gave a short history of the last year's work. The school has filled up to within one of its limit number at the end of the fifth year of its existence. The work had gone ahead and again this year their one candidate for British Columbia matriculation had passed with good marks. Last year the school had had an excellent football season, games being played throughout the Winter. A challenge cup for football sixes, presented by Mrs. Milton, was won by N. Martin's Monarchs. On the cricket field they had been unbeaten throughout the season and had won all but three drawn games. In tennis they had won all their matches. The senior cup was won by N. Martin, while M. Pemberton was the holder of the junior cup presented by Mrs. Wainman. Mr. Milton thanked the parents for their generous help through the year. Supper was followed by two songs rendered by Mrs. Lefevre, accompanied by Mme. Webb. With Mr. Fred Pitt at the piano all the company enjoyed dancing, which they kept up till the early hours. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. F. Abbott, Mrs. Bell, Miss Bell, Peter Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell-Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Chambers, Jack Child, Mr. and Mrs. Garrard, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Genge, Mr. and Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. and Miss Edmond, Mr. and Mrs. Dunsford, Captain and Mrs. Dexter, Mrs. and Miss Forbes, Campbell Forbes, Mrs. P. Fletcher, Major and Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Lefevre, Mrs. C. W. Lonsdale, Mr. and Mrs. William Luney, Mr. and Mrs. F. McGregor, Dr. and Mrs. McPherson, Mrs. and the Misses McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Meiville, Mrs. Martin, Norman and Maurice Martin, Mrs. and Miss Mearns, Mrs. Arthur Pigott, Mr. and Mrs. Price, Miss Pigot, Dr. and Mrs. Pearse, Mrs. W. Palmer, Rev. A. E. de L. Nunns, Mrs. Nunns, Mr. and Mrs. Neary, Mr. and Mrs. Norman, Mr. Nicholas, Mrs. Nixon, Dick Nixon, Mrs. and the Misses Ruddock, Mrs. Senkler, Mr. and Mrs. A. de B. Shaw, Bobby and Billy Shaw, Roy Shadbolt, Cmmr. Slingsby, Mrs. Stokes, Miss Teddy Service, Mr. and Mrs. Trerise, Mrs. and the Misses Vooght, Mrs. Wainman, Mme. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. T. Winsby, Mr. H. White, Mr. and Mrs. Worledge, Doug. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Whittemore and many others.

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B.C. Dramatic School

The British Columbia Dramatic School recital seems likely once again to raise the high standard already achieved in previous years. The overcrowded state of the hall on former occasions emphasizes the extent of the interest which is taken in the work of this school, the only one of its kind in Western Canada. This year, by good team work, it has been possible to put on several numbers of an ambitious kind with only a minimum of rehearsal. "The Last Voyage of Odysseus" deals with the Homeric legend in such a way as to interest the younger students of the classics. "The First Christmas Tree," by the late Helen Hope, founder of Citizen House, would appeal to any audience for the simplicity and directness of its message, and in this case, through the generosity of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, a real tree and 100 presents for the children will, at the end of the play, make their appearance in the wood where Claus and his large family live. There is a charming scene in which eight girls give a pseudo-extempore turn, in which they declare they are not dancing, though a casual observer might suppose they were. For this number the costumes were obtained in New York. The first part of the programme will be given at the New Thought Temple, December 18, at 8 p.m., and the second half at the Memorial Hall, December 19, at 8 p.m. The Dramatic School recitals have invariably commenced on time and the doors will be closed when the programme commences, and only opened between the acts. Tickets, which are transferrable and which admit to both performances, can be obtained at the school, from the Army and Navy Veterans' Club, or from any student.

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Surprise Party

On Monday evening a number of friends paid Miss Ines Green a surprise visit at her home, Heath Drive. An enjoyable time was spent in games and dancing. The dance music was played by Alex. Walker, of the Serenaders. The prize winners in the various games were: Miss J. Ross, Miss J. Tully, Mr. Cyril Turner, Mr. Alfred Wade and Mr. Stanley Hunter. The guests were: Miss N. Bittancourt, Miss J. Ross, Miss D. Ross, Miss M. Streeter, Miss A. McIntyre, Miss J. Tully, Miss L. Butterfield, Miss A. Brown, Miss H. Huddleston, Miss M. Lauriston, Miss V. Harper, Miss E. Pogson, Mr. Alfred Wade, Mr. Jack McKutchen, Mr. William Florrence, Mr. George Rumsby, Mr. Cyril Turner, Mr. William White, Mr. Lou Conyers, Mr. Lorie Green, Mr. M. Green, Mr. Ernie Stocks, Mr. M. Barr, Mr. Stanley Hunter and Mr. Robert Milne.

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Enjoyable Evening

An enjoyable evening was held in the Cable Hall, Bamfield, on Thursday evening. The hall was beautifully decorated with blue and gold. The local orchestra, "Whaleys Orpheans," assisted by Mr. Nicolls and Mr. Lewis, of H. M. C. S. Givenchy, supplied the dance music. After supper the engagement of Miss Kathleen Anderson, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Anderson, of Lower Hutt, Wellington, New Zealand, to Mr. Frederick Leslie Valentine, of the Pacific Cable Board, Bamfield, only son of Mrs. F. Valentine, Remuera, Auckland, was announced. Miss Anderson, who sails on the Ms. Aorangi, is spending a vacation with her uncle, Mr. Arch Smith. Mr. Valentine, who is leaving shortly for Fanning Island, was presented with a gold watch from his fellow-workers.

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Criterion Dance Club

The fortnightly gathering of the Criterion Dance Club took place last night in the Amputation Club Rooms, Belmont Building, with a large attendance of members, who danced to the strains of Miss Muriel Hall's orchestra, which was excellent. Among those present were: Mrs. H. H. S. Muskett, Mrs. Basil Combe, Mr. and Mrs. Scharff, Mr. and Mrs. Beckton, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Bodkin (Sidney), Mr. and Mrs. Campbell (Sidney), Miss Whittlesey, Miss Farrington, Mr. Beaumont, Mr. C. Newcombe, Mr. Randall, Mr. and Mrs. Weller, Miss Richards, Miss Dickson, Miss Hay-Dring, Mr. Beaumont, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Waddington, Mr. Ballantyne, Mr. Fraser Lister, and many others.

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Miscellaneous Shower

Miss Grace Ledingham, 3136 Quadra Street, entertained at a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Jessie Chetham, whose marriage takes place in Vancouver shortly. The reception rooms were lovely with masses of yellow chrysanthemums. The invited guests were Mrs. Angus Campbell, Mrs. J. H. Moore, Mrs. S. Miles, Mrs. McFadden, Mrs. H. Lipsey, Mrs. Whilliams, Miss Jessie Chetham, Miss Eunice MacDonald, Miss Bessie Middleton, Miss Jean McEwan, Miss Janet McEwan, Miss Maude Bird, Miss Bessie Graham, Miss Lillian Graham, Miss Amelia Dunn, Miss Kathleen Fraser, Miss Aileen Lawrence, Miss Phyllis Wightman, Miss Gladys Ledingham, Miss Mona Miller and Miss Molly Flower.

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Esquimalt School Choir

The Esquimalt School Choir will give a concert on Saturday evening, at 8 o'clock, in the school auditorium. The concert will illustrate the work done during the past term, and in addition to a varied and attractive programme there will be eight selections which have never been given by the pupils. A very promising young soprano will sing an old favorite, accompanied by a violin obligato and piano. This trio is made up of pupils of the school, in fact the only outside performer will be Miss Doris Hicks, who will accompany the choir. The Esquimalt School Choir, which has delighted Victoria audiences on many occasions, will doubtless provide an even more attractive programme on Saturday evening.

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Compliment Victoria Guest

Mrs. Ray Green was guest of honor at a delightful tea on Saturday afternoon, given by Mrs. A. J. Hoskin, of Vancouver. Mrs. Duncan Bell-Irving presided at the prettily appointed tea table. Among the guests were Mrs. Percy Shallcross, Mrs. Bruce Duncan, Mrs. E. M. C. McLorg, Mrs. Murray Lay, Mrs. Cecil Merritt, Mrs. E. J. Blackwell, Mrs. Percy Foster, Mrs. J. S. Tait, Mrs. Douglas Broome, Mrs. Foster Huntting, Mrs. Charles Duncan MacDonnell, Mrs. W. W. Boultbee, Mrs. B. Dubois Phillips, Mrs. Knox Walkem, Mrs. Cowley, Mrs. T. W. B. Nelles, Mrs. Geoffrey MacDonald of Chilliwack, Mrs. Edgerton Hanning, and others.

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Hamper Shower to Be Held

The Municipal Chapter, I.O.D.E., is holding a shower for Christmas hampers for soldiers and their dependents in the city. The I.O.D.E. rooms in the Hamley Building will be open on Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. till 5 p.m. to receive donations. It is hoped that every member of the chapter will donate something which will help fill the hampers and provide Christmas cheer. Last year hampers were sent to eighty-six families and it is hoped that this year will prove as great a success. The distribution is made under careful investigation, co-operating with the Friendly Help and Social Service, so that overlapping may be avoided.

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Lecture at St. Mary's Hall

Mrs. Adams Beck will give another of a series of instructive and delightful lectures on the Queens of England this afternoon in St. Mary's Hall at 3 o'clock. Today's queen will be "Adelicia, second wife of Henry I." The lectures are under the auspices of the Camosun Chapter, I.O.D.E., and the proceeds today will be given to the Y.W.C.A. fund. Both from interest in the subject of the lecture and from interest in the cause for which it is given, it is expected that there will be an exceptionally large attendance.

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Five Hundred Tournament

At the weekly five hundred tournament given by the Cedar Hill Social Club last Thursday, the prize-winners were as follows: First table, Mrs. Cannan, Mrs. Simpson, Mr. Hurley, Mr. R. Wells; second table, Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Somers, Mr. Tucker, Mr. J. McCormick; ten bid, Mr. H. Stocker and Mr. Simpson. The next tournament will be held on Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock.

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Card Party

The regular weekly five hundred card party was held at the Lake Hill Community Centre on Monday evening. The prize winners were: Mrs. Sturgeon, Mrs. Watson, Mr. Falkner, Mr. Sturgeon, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Peddle, Mr. Knowlton, Mr. Townsend. Ten bid, Mrs. Peddle and Mr. Knowlton.

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Old Linen Wanted

Old linen or clean rags are urgently needed by the Victoria Order of Nurses. Parcels may be left at the nurses' flat, 424 Linden Avenue, or phone 4944.

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Return to Tacoma

Mr. and Mrs. James Lyon and Mr. John F. Lyon have returned to their homes in Tacoma after spending the week-end in the city, guests at the Oak Bay Hotel.

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Is Convalescing

The many friends of Mrs. R. J. Roberts, North Hampshire Road, will be pleased to learn that she is recovering from her recent accident. She is, however, confined to the house.

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Bridge and Mah Jong Party

Mrs. R. P. Rithet, "Hollybank," entertained with four tables of bridge and one of mah jong yesterday afternoon.

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Home to Seattle

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Stirrat returned to their home in Seattle after spending the week-end in the city at the Oak Bay Hotel.

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Party at Crystal Garden

Miss Irez Ker entertained a party of friends at the Crystal Garden last evening where they enjoyed the dancing.

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From Port Moody

Miss Sybil Ford, 1123 Princess Avenue, has as her guest Mrs. R. A. Cook, of Port Moody.

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At Glenshiel Hotel

Mrs. C. W. Buck and Miss Molly Birch are guests at the Glenshiel Hotel for the Winter months.

Fears for Regina Lad

REGINA, Dec. 15.—Grave fears are entertained by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bratzer, Regina, that Anton Bratzer, aged nineteen, is the young man who was killed by a train five miles west of Revelstoke Saturday. The Regina boy left home about a year ago and word of his whereabouts has not been received for some time.

Women's Clubs and Societies

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of Christ Church Cathedral Auxiliary was held on Monday afternoon at the Memorial. The following officers were elected: Honorary president, Mrs. Scrivin; president, Mrs. Qualnton; vice-president, Mrs. Hinton; recording secretary, Miss Pooley; corresponding secretary, Miss Wormald; united thank offering, Mrs. Brown Constable; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. Thomas; leaflet secretary, Mrs. Peacey; literature secretary, Mrs. Cummings; "Little Helpers," Mrs. Costerton; Ecad secretary, Mrs. Wrigiesworth; junior superintendent, Mrs. Mildon; diocesan representative, Mrs. Middleton. Following the elections an interesting address was given by Mrs. Beison, diocesan president.

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Church Meeting

At the annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of First United Church, held last Monday, in spite of rather disorganised conditions during the last year, most gratifying reports were brought in of the year's work. The president for the coming year is Mrs. McKillop; secretary, Mrs. Bryce, and treasurer, Mrs. Billingsley.

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City Temple Rummage Sale

The Ladies' Aid of the City Temple is holding a rummage sale, Saturday next in the new Temple Hall (K. of P. Hall). All articles for sale must be delivered to the hall not later than Friday, as each item must be fumigated. Those wishing to have someone call for articles are asked to phone Mrs. Victor Celle.

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Esquimalt Hygiene Council

The regular mothers' meeting of Esquimalt Child Hygiene Council will not take place on Thursday. The annual Christmas party will be held on Thursday, January 7, at 5 o'clock.

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R.O.W.I. Card Party

The date of the card party to be held at the residence of Mrs. J. G. Nicholson, East Saanich Road, will be Thursday at 8 o'clock, instead of Friday, as previously stated.

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Guild of Health

On Thursday evening, the Rev. T. E. Rowe will address the members and friends of the Guild of Health in the Cathedral schoolroom, Quadra Street, at 8 o'clock.

Weddings

Roe-Cameron

The Rev. A. E. deL. Nunns celebrated the marriage Monday afternoon at St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, of Miss Viola Catharine Cameron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Cameron, of Calgary, and Mr. Samuel Frank Desmond Roe, second son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Roe, "Coldrinagh," Ten-Mile Point, Cadboro Bay. Col. McGuigan gave away the bride in marriage and Mrs. Gerald Roe was matron of honor. The groom was supported by his brother, Mr. Gerald Roe. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Roe, Dunbar Street, a wedding breakfast was held, at which immediate relatives were present. Mr. and Mrs. Roe left on the afternoon boat for Vancouver, en route for Alice Arm, where Mr. Roe is manager of the branch of the Royal Bank of Canada.

Rogers-Westcombe

The marriage of Miss Bessie M. Westcombe, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Westcombe, formerly of Victoria and now residents of Los Angeles, to Mr. John Edward Rogers, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Rogers, of Wolverhampton, England, was celebrated in the Church of Epiphany, Los Angeles, on December 5, by the Rev. Mr. Matias. Mr. Green presiding at the organ during the ceremony. The bride was lovely in a gown of pale pink georgette crepe, trimmed with tiny ostrich feathers, and wore a coronet of orange blossoms in her hair. She carried a shower bouquet of white and pink roses. The matron of honor, Mrs. R. H. Westcombe, sister-in-law of the bride, wore Nile green and silver and carried a sheaf of pale pink carnations. The best man was Mr. R. H. Westcombe. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, where the reception rooms were beautifully decorated in pink and white. The supper table was centred with a three-tier wedding cake and decorated with roses. Mr. and Mrs. Westcombe left for San Francisco and northern cities and on their return will reside in Los Angeles.

Fanning—Allen

A quiet wedding was solemnized at St. Edward's, Duncan, by the Rev. Father Jansen, Esmee, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Teddie Allen, Somenos, to Major W. G. Fanning, M.C., only son of the late Mr. W. H. Fanning and Mrs. M. Fanning, Torquay, South Devon. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked lovely in a French gown of fawn charmeuse embroidered in Nile and mauve, and wore a black picture hot. She carried a bouquet of aphelia roses and was attended by her sister, Miss Dorothy Winder. The best man was Mr. F. B. Davies. On their return from their honeymoon, which is being spent on the Mainland, they will reside at Hillbank.

Your Birthday

December 16.—You have a nature which is not satisfied with anything other than the best. You have an active mind and much tact. You are honest and straightforward, true and faithful to those you love, but capable of bitter hatred. You are fond of art and music, like to be amused and entertained, and enjoy society. You will have a happy and peaceful home life.

Your birth-stone is the turquoise, which means prosperity.

Your flower is holly.

Your lucky color is pink.

Give photographs for sentiment's sake.

Victorian Order Work Described for Kumtuks

A description of the work being done by the Victorian Order of Nurses was given by Miss Thornley, head nurse at the local branch, at the regular business meeting of the Kumtuks' Club on Monday evening at Alexandra Club. Her talk was listened to with intense interest by the members, to many of whom the information about the splendid educational and nursing work done by this order was news.

At the business meeting the Kumtuks passed several donations, $10 to the Solarium fund; $10 to the Near East relief; $3 to the Social Service. The club will pursue its customary Christmas policy in connection with the Orphanage, to which it annually gives books.

The annual meeting is to be held on January 25, preceded by a supper. At the special meeting on January 11, at 8 p.m., important business will be debated. Miss Wigley was in the chair.

Thefts From School

NANAIMO, Dec. 15.—A series of petty thefts occurred over the week-end when several rooms in the North Ward School were rifled of various articles by an unknown culprit, who, it is believed, entered the building with a pass-key, which he has made use of for the same purpose on many occasions. In one of the rooms visited, the pupils, some thirty-six in number, decided to present one of their roommates with a Christmas gift. The plans were jointly laid and the children each purchased a suitable gift, after they had drawn a number from a receptacle to correspond with another number held by a pal in the same room. The gifts were neatly parcelled and placed on the piano, and last Friday the kiddies departed for the week-end. To their amazement when they returned Monday their dream was shattered as the gifts had disappeared. A Chinese boy who decided to go one better than his white brothers, and brought a whole dollar to school with which he intended to make a similar purchase for a friend, found, to his regret, that his dollar had also been taken. Various pencils and rulers also disappeared from other rooms.

The police have the matter in hand.

Recital at Fairfield Church

Under the auspices of the Board of the Fairfield United Church, a musicale and elocutionary recital will be given in the church tonight at 8 o'clock. The first part of the programme will consist of vocal and instrumental music by well-known artists, amongst them being Mrs. A. Stokes, Mrs. Knight, Miss Piercey, Miss Pearl Heather, Miss Sayers, Dr. W. W. Bryce and Mr. L. Abbott. The second part of the evening's programme will be an elocutionary recital by Rev. R. W. Lee, who will give Tennyson's "Enoch Arden." This will be interspersed with musical numbers.

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Fashion Fancies

By Marie Belmont

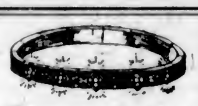


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Orphanage Body Recommends Return to Old Finance Method

President J. A. Sayward, at Annual Meeting of B.C. Protestant Orphans' Home Yesterday, Refers to Lack of Bequests During Year—Officers Re-elected

Owing to the unusual lack of legacies during the last year the B.C. Protestant Orphanage will probably resort during the present year to its original mode of financing, viz., by soliciting the public.

This and other matters came before the annual meeting yesterday, when reports were read and a board of management elected. This comprised the following: Mr. J. A. Sayward, Mr. Reginald Hayward, Mr. Wolfenden, Rev. Dr. W. L. Clay, Rev. A. de B. Owen, Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, and Messrs. Arthur Lee, W. Scowcroft, Hawkins, Richards, William Spencer and W. S. Fraser.

Immediately after the annual meeting the board met and re-elected to their respective offices the president, Mr. Sayward; secretary, Mr. Hayward, and treasurer, Mr. Wolfenden.

The repairs and works committee is to consist of Messrs. Hawkins, Hayward and Richards, and the finance committee, Messrs. Spencer, Wolfenden, Lee and Fraser.

In general meeting Dr. Bryant was reappointed honorary physician, and Dr. Lewis Hall, honorary dentist. The two paid officials are Mr. J. B. Clearihue, representing solicitor, and Mr. Reginald Genn, auditor.

Votes of Thanks

Votes of thanks were passed to Dr. Bryant and Dr. Hall, who had so kindly undertaken the duties of physician and dentist during the year; also to the ladies' committee, and to the press.

Good Conditions

In his annual report the president, Mr. Sayward, remarked the "good conditions" in the Orphanage both during and at the end of the year.

"Our finances are in a state to be favorably compared with last year. Although our interior repairs in 1925 came to $800, less than those of 1924, our receipts in the form of legacies and bequests amount to only $77.12, as against more than $3,000 last year," it was noted.

The 1925 Tag Day had been almost as satisfactory as that of 1924, but the income was hardly sufficient to cover all expenses, "and the committee consequently recommends that the old principle of soliciting subscriptions be renewed, as it is felt that many might be glad to donate to our funds were they reminded of our good work and our need of increased revenue."

The offer of certain members of the Gyro Club to go up to the home and clear sufficient land for, and establish a playground was appreciated, and in conclusion the president thanked the ladies for their splendid assistance and co-operation during the year.

Various Repairs

Mr. Hayward, in his secretarial report, referred to numerous repairs which had been carried out to the home during the year. The home now shelters thirty-nine children, eighteen girls and twenty-one boys. During the twelve months eleven boys and eight girls had been received into the home, while ten boys and six girls had left.

Treasurer's Report

Income during 1925, totaling $10,-258.11, included $1,690.80 balance on hand at the beginning of the year. General receipts, amounting to $6,397.41, comprised $1,540.55 in sundry donations, $193 in subscriptions; $1,714.50 maintenance fees; $1,316.45 tag day collections, and certain rentals and interest on mortgages, bonds, etc.

Expenditure showed $7,620.02 in general expenses such as inside repairs, $650; meat, $242; flour and cereals, $299; milk, $254; clothing and boots, $207; vegetables and fruit, $134; fuel, $45; groceries, $621; laundry, $164; salaries, $2,742; taxes, $859; books and stationery, $163.

Ladies' Report

Mrs. S. O. Sherwood reported for the ladies' committee, recalling some of the many kindnesses which friends of the institution had done for the home. These have already been mentioned in the several monthly reports since last December. The home operates smoothly with the following staff: Matron, Mrs. Harris; assistants, Mrs. Street and Miss Harris; cook, Mrs. Perks.

"Our monthly donations are very generous, and the public responded in a very gratifying way to the pound party and the tag day," acknowledged the report, which added the name of Mr. Pollard, the music master, to the several who had already received the thanks of the committee.

Recent Bequest

A cheerful announcement made by the treasurer was to the effect that since making up his annual report the home had received a bequest of over $2,900 from the Jenks estate.

Church union has opened the question as to whether some change in the by-laws may not be needed, as owing to the amalgamation of Methodists with Congregationalists and a branch of the Presbyterians, the six denominations represented in the ladies' committee of twenty-four has now been reduced to five. An amendment to the by-laws will be necessary before any extension of the committee can be made which will give an equal representation to each of the five denominations. The matter will come up at the next meeting.

Elect New Officers

NANAIMO, Dec. 15.—At a meeting of St. Cecelia Review, No. 14, W.B.A., last evening, new officers for the year were elected as follows: Commander, Mrs. Beck; lieutenant-commander, Mrs. Neilson; past commander, Mrs. Addison; collector, Mrs. Kenyon; record keeper, Mrs. Foster; sergeant, Miss Deane; finance keeper, Mrs. Neave; chaplain, Mrs. Lawrence; lady-at-arms, Mrs. Richards; sentinel, Mrs. Leighton; picket, Mrs. Emley; musician, Mrs. Dobinson; captain, Mrs. Stevenson; color bearer No. 1, Mrs. Smith; color bearer No. 2, Mrs. Barass; camp supervisor, Mrs. Hann; junior commander, Mrs. Tippett; queen's adviser, Mrs. Bamford; publicity reporter, Mrs. Hann.

Steamer Departure

UNION BAY, Dec. 14.—The Ss. C.G.M.M. Canadian Pioneer sailed at 3 a.m. for Nanoose Bay where she will remain for a few days before sailing for the Panama.

Premier Says He Was Shot By Sportsman

Hon. John Oliver, Discussing Game Act Amendment, Tells of His Personal Contact With Bird Shot

"Rifle" Clause Is Deleted

Hon. John Oliver last night, by request, reverted to type and announced that he was going to "speak as a farmer." He did. The subject of discourse was the amendment offered to the Game Act by Mr. J. Catherwood, Mr. Michael Manson, and incorporating suggestions from Hon. Thomas Coventry and Mr. W. A. McKenzie, to permit farmers to shoot pheasants, quail and Hungarian partridge found doing damage to their crops.

The debate wandered from the original issue to a discussion as to whether game birds or sportsmen were the greater nuisance to farmers.

"Well," said the Premier, rising in his place and striking a characteristic attitude, "I have received an anonymous letter asking me to speak on this subject as a farmer, and I'm going to."

The Premier said that in his days as an active tiller of the soil he had come into close personal contact with the subject. In fact, on one occasion when he was bending over a potato hill he was generously sprayed with bird shot from the gun of a misguided sportsman. The hunter was indignant, went on the Premier, "sort of blamed me; but I attended to his case right there."

Premier Has Own Law

There appeared to be two schools of thought among the farmers, declared the Premier. One was for protection against the depredations of game birds, and the other asked protection from the sportsman. He thought that it might be a suitable solution of the problem if farmers within certain defined areas were given permission to kill birds that were doing damage to crops. He was aware that some farmers took the law into their own hands and slaughtered the offenders at every opportunity in order to protect their work.

"There are some laws on the statute books," concluded the Premier, "that are entitled to all the disrespect that can be shown them. If I reclaim a piece of land from the forest or the water, I am going to deal with what is on that land just as it pleases me."

Mr. Alex. Paterson, Delta, placed himself definitely on record as being a disciple of the "protection from sportsmen" school. He declared that while game birds did undoubted damage, the injury done to farms by "alleged sportsmen" was far greater. They shot across fields, took down fences, left gates open and even drove automobiles over enclosed lands without permission and with no consideration of the rights of the farmers. He had no objection whatever to those "who have decency to come and ask permission to hunt in the fields," but he thought the agriculturist should be protected against the other kind of hunter.

Shooting Advocated

Mr. C. F. Davie, member for Cowichan-Newcastle, asserted that crops were destroyed to an alarming extent, and he warned the House that if some method of protecting the farmers was not devised, they would take the law into their own hands and deal drastically with the birds.

Mr. W. A. McKenzie (Similkameen) had sympathy with the sportsmen, but also a great sympathy with the farmers, particularly of his riding who suffered from the incursion of Hungarian partridges, which had invaded the Okanagan Valley. He instanced one farmer who, instead of having 200 crates of canteloupes last year, only harvested eleven, owing to the damage done by these birds. He asked that farmers be allowed to shoot them.

Mr. Catherwood told of the damage done in Dewdney district. Foxes had been imported there, he said, and the results had been amazingly satisfactory, but he feared that if this method was pursued, it would become necessary in time to seek some means of exterminating the foxes.

The amendment was stood over for further consideration.

Bird Shooting Discussed

One of the most determined attacks against the Game Act was led by interior members, principally Mr. A. O. Cochrane, North Okanagan, supported by Mr. Dugald McPherson (Grand Forks-Greenwood), Col. Fred Lister and others, against the proposal to prevent bird shooting from the road. Mr. C. F. Davie (Cowichan-Newcastle) was one of the leading protagonists for the clause.

Mr. Cochrane finally led his forces in renewed attack by way of an amendment that limited the prohibitory measure to organized municipalities. Mr. McPherson spoke on the subject, and Mr. R. H. Pooley said he was anxious to have game wardens taken out of the control of the Provincial Police, arguing that when needed for game conservation they were sometimes doing police duties in other districts.

Compliments Pass

Replying to criticism from Mr. H. D. Twigg, the Attorney-General gave details of the personnel of the Game Conservation Board, and the duties of the Provincial Game Warden and Chief Game Inspector. Referring to Mr. M. B. Jackson, he said he had at least given a great deal of his time to the study of game, and was responsible for the valuable contributions to the Board's work. During the three years that he (the Attorney-General) had been associated with the administration, there had been marked progress, he claimed.

There was a sharp cross-fire between Mr. Twigg and Hon. Mr. Manson, each of whom told the other he was impertinent.

Rifle Clause Deleted

Combined attack of many members was directed against a clause in the bill seeking to compel the killing of members of the deer family with a bullet fired from a rifle and not by a charge of shot from a shotgun. Hon. William Sloan summed up the objections when he said that such a clause would compel a hunter to be "a walking arsenal." He asked that the clause be deleted and his request was granted.

Mr. R. H. Pooley moved for the same action in connection with a clause allowing game wardens to shoot hunting dogs found running loose during the close season in an area where game birds were known to exist.

Dogs Debated

Mr. Cochrane asked how a game warden was to tell that a dog was hunting birds or mice. It was not an unusual thing to see a hunting dog along in an area frequented by birds, but that was no reason why the animal should be slaughtered.

Mr. Creery considered the clause a valuable one. He held that any dog that was not controlled and kept chained was of no value and should be destroyed.

Hon. Mr. Barrow, Minister of Agriculture, was also in favor of the clause. Wardens had local knowledge of dogs and were not completely without common sense. He was sure that they would not destroy valuable animals, but only animals that made a habit of destroying game birds.

Col. Lister (Creston) declared that the sheep rangers of the Province were considering a similar law in order to protect their flocks from uncontrolled dogs.

Mr. Davie (Cowichan-Newcastle) considered the proposed regulation far too drastic. He favored its deletion.

The clause was ordered stood over.

Cats Must Go

No mercy was forthcoming from any section of the House in respect to cats, and all members of the cat tribe found roaming at large in areas where game birds are usually found, will be shot on sight by game wardens.

A clause making it illegal for anybody to possess any game alive or dead during the close season, and possession for more than fourteen days after the end of the open season on special permission of a game warden, was stood over at the request of Mr. M. Ma

Afraid of Love

By CHRISTABEL RUSSELL

Up Against It

"I'm afraid," began the lawyer, and hesitated as if unwilling to say what was on his mind.

Meryl looked at him quickly. It irritated her that he should hold back the news.

"You mean, Mr. Ambler," she said, "that there's very little left."

He nodded.

"I'm sorry to say, Mrs. Gould, that there is—er—practically nothing left after your late husband's debts have been settled."

"Why were you afraid to tell me that?"

The old man fingered his spectacles. "Because it is an unfortunate situation, Mrs. Gould, that you should be left in London without a penny in the world—you and the child." He sighed. "We must see if something cannot be arranged."

"I don't want anything to be arranged."

"But, my dear lady—"

"By arranged I suppose you mean that someone would have to be found to provide me with enough money to keep going."

"That was my idea," the lawyer admitted. He was surprised and a little carried off his feet by the girl's direct manner and fearless facing of what was for her a very difficult situation.

"I'll make my own money," she went on. "I don't want to be dependent on anybody."

"But your relatives, Mrs. Gould—"

"Relatives! No, Mr. Ambler, that isn't good enough. You know my people and you must know the attitude they would take up. They never approved of my marrying Tony—and now that I've found that I made a mistake they'd never cease to rub it in." She broke off with an apologetic gesture. "I am sorry to seem so ungrateful. I can see that you've been worrying over my affairs, and I thank you for that. I must seem an impossible person to do anything for. You're probably thinking that, Mr. Ambler."

"Nothing of the sort, I assure you." She laughed a trifle bitterly.

"Oh, yes, you are, and I am impossible. But it is life that has made me so. If you knew what it was to have to depend upon a man for every morsel of food and every stitch of clothing, and to be reminded day after day that you are dependent on him, and to be treated as a piece of property because you do depend on him—" She broke off and put a slender arm about the neck of the child beside her.

The old lawyer was silent for a moment. He thought what a picture they made in the slanting June sunlight, the young widow, with auburn curls creeping tendril-wise under her shady hat, her grey eyes momentarily sad and hard, her lips compressed, and her son, young Tony Gould, a handsome boy of about five, slim and straight as a young birch tree, so very like his mother in the color of hair and eyes.

He could not deny that he found Meryl Gould a puzzle. He had known her since she was a schoolgirl and seen her last in the golden days before her wedding. The change in her shocked him, her bold cry of "independence!" bewildered him. He was an old man, and used to women whose very nature was to depend.

"You were not very happy in your marriage?" he asked at length, and, as he saw her lips tremble at the question, added hastily: "I beg your pardon. Perhaps I should not have asked that."

Meryl shook her head ever so slightly.

"I was not happy. I went through six years of hell."

The vehemence of the last word shook him. He felt it better not to pry into the story of those unhappy years.

"You talk of making your own money," he asked. "How do you propose to do that? It isn't easy, you know, for an unprotected woman to make money in London."

"I want to go into business."

"Business! Have you the experience, the—"

"I had thought of a dressmaking business,' she went on calmly. "Of course, I have no experience—but I do know a good deal about clothes—I've always made and designed my own." She pointed to the frock she was wearing, a black and white georgette with a full skirt, which showed off beautifully the slender lines of her figure.

"These things need capital, Mrs. Gould."

"I know. Of course, I must find someone who will put up the money."

"You are a very determined young lady."

"Life has made me determined, Mr. Ambler."

(To be Continued)



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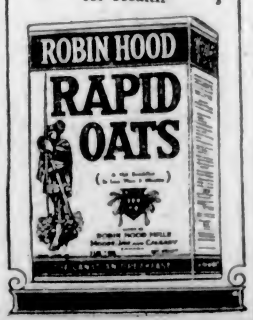


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NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

Saskatoon Sheiks Add Another To String of Straight Victories

"Newsy" Lalonde's Huskies Score Five to Two Against Eskimos at Edmonton, Having Decided Edge on Night's Play—Scoring Even in First Period

EDMONTON, Dec. 15.—Showing the class of hockey that carried them to the top of Western hockey, Saskatoon Sheiks defeated Edmonton here tonight, 5 to 2. The visitors had a decided edge on the night's play, but it was chiefly the string of capable substitutes which "Newsy" Lalonde kept throwing into the fray that gave them the margin. Cameron took the penalty shot when Sheppard tripped B. Cook as the latter was about to shoot. Stuart saved easily.

"Newsy" Lalonde's crimson shirts demonstrated just how good they are in the final period. Hainsworth was waved to the fence for two minutes for throwing his stick. While the goalie was doing penance the Eskimos failed to get a shot on Scott, who substituted in the cage.

First Was Even

Scoring honors were evenly divided in the opening period. A three-man rush ended in Gordon netting the puck with capable assistance from Scott and Cameron. Stanley evened the count when he went through almost from the face-off. A neat solo effort by "Bill" Cook put the Sheiks in front, 2-1. Just before the breather Keats tied it up when he took a pass from Gagne in front of the net and slapped the rubber past Hainsworth. The scoring summary in the middle period rather flattered the Sheiks. The Eskimos were through for what looked like certain goals on half a dozen occasions, but ill-luck and the splendid net keeping of Hainsworth robbed them. "Bill" Cook and Bourgault were responsible for the two goals of the period. The Sheiks were all over the home crew in the final period, but were forced to be content with a single marker. Shore was awarded a major penalty for hitting W. Cook.

"Bill" Cook, Hainsworth and Scott were the pick of the visitors, while Keats, Shore and Stuart caught the eye of the home fans. The Eskimos' substitutes were given little chance to show their wares.

Summary

First Period—1, Saskatoon, Gordon from Scott, 13 minutes; 2, Edmonton, Stanley, 1 minute; 3, Saskatoon, W. Cook, 2 minutes; 4, Edmonton, Keats from Gagne, 2 minutes.

Second Period—5, Saskatoon, W. Cook from Scott, 2 minutes; 6, Saskatoon, Borgault, 17:05.

Third Period—Saskatoon, Denenny, 18:49.

Penalties

First Period—Keats, Gordon, 2 minutes each.

Second Period—F. Cook, Keats, Shore, 2 minutes each.

Third Period—Scott, Shore (10 minutes); W. Cook, Hainsworth, Gagne and Sheppard, 2 minutes each.

The Line-Up

Edmonton	Position	Saskatoon
Stuart	Goal	Hainsworth
Shore	Defence	Cameron
Sheppard	Defence	Reise
Gagne	Forward	W. Cook
Keats	Forward	Denennay
Stanley	Forward	F. Cook
Goldsworthy	Substitute	Scott
Loughlin	Substitute	Bourgault
Boucher	Substitute	Gordon
Brenot	Substitute	Henson

Referee—Carl Battell.

Eyes of Victoria Fans Focused on Rose City Tonight

VICTORIA hockey fans will tonight have their eyes focused upon the Rose City, because it will be there that the Portland Rosebuds and Lester Patrick's Cougars will clash for the first time this season. The American city outfit will be in full force, but the Cougars will be handicapped through the absence from the pond of Harold Halderson, and perhaps Gordie Fraser as well. The local puckchasers are going to stage a vigorous fight for the victory.

Victoria vs. Portland is the programme arranged for Friday night at the Willows Arena, at 8:30 o'clock. This will be the first time that the Rosebuds have appeared here this season, and a big crowd of railbirds will be on hand to look 'em over. The game is creating unusual interest.

Saskatoon, by trouncing the Edmonton Eskimos last night, jumped into the league leadership, with Portland next in line, and Vancouver third. If Portland is victorious tonight, they will climb once more onto even terms with the Sheiks of the Prairies.

The league standing follows:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Saskatoon	6	5	1	0	21	15	10
Portland	5	4	1	0	18	15	8
Vancouver	7	3	4	0	18	15	7
Victoria	4	0	2	2	3	8	2
Calgary	4	0	3	1	5	11	1
Edmonton	2	0	2	0	6	10	0



"BOB" TRAFF (Defence Star)

"Bob" formerly performed with the Edmonton Eskimos, with whom he appeared during the past several seasons when that club played in Victoria. He is now one of the mainstays of the Portland defence, and is a hard man for an opposing player to outwit. He is also good on the offensive, and knows a thing or two about scoring tallies. He will play here next Friday evening, when the Portland Rosebuds will be guests of the Cougars at the Willows Arena.

Reds and Blues Will Meet at Rugby Saturday

Early Preparations Will Be Made by Rugby Union for Next McKechnie Cup Match to Be Played Here

Oaks Win First Series

In preparation of the McKechnie Cup match, which will be played here early in the new year, two picked squads will meet on Saturday afternoon at the Willows oval to give the selection committee an opportunity to look over the material, from which they will pick Victoria's "rep" team, in a game against the Varsity of Vancouver. Two sides, consisting of the select of the three teams, have been chosen and will be known as the Reds and Blues.

Walter Brynjolfson, captain of the "rep" squad, will skipper the Blues, while Harold Colpman will lead the Reds. The match will be refereed by "Bob" McInnes, manager of the Victoria team, and will go the usual time. All players picked are urgently requested to be on hand at 3 o'clock sharp.

The Oak Bay "Oaks," through winning from the United Services last Saturday, have won the first half of the series and will meet the winners of the second half for the Barnard Cup. The Oaks have won three games and tied one.

Date Uncertain Yet

The date for the McKechnie Cup match with Varsity has not been definitely settled. The original date was to have been on January 2, when the students are billed to make their annual invasion, but the Pacific Coast Soccer League has a game arranged with the Varsity for that date here and the Rugby Union does not want the games to clash. The Willows Park is at present the only ground available and both games would have to be played there, at practically the same time. Any such arrangement, as having the two games billed for one afternoon, would considerably affect the gate receipts and would hurt both leagues' chances of breaking clear of the heavy expenses they would be under. The Rugby Union will ask that either the date of the soccer match be that of January 1 or the McKechnie Cup match be played on January 9.

The following teams are asked to turn out for the practice game on Saturday:

Reds—McIntyre, McLennan, Shaw, Hunnings, Dickson, Frampton, McMillan, Exelby, Colpman (captain), McDonald, Pendray, Smith, Kirk, Carlisle, Watson and "Cotton" Brynjolfson.

Blues—Bendrodt, Walter Brynjolfson (captain), Dunn, Grubb, Putman, Goodacre, Beech, Mainguy, Miller, McRae, Porteous, Mawhood, Beck, Buss and Wallace.



SIR GEORGE THOMAS

Leader of the touring English badminton team. He is widely known international badminton expert.

Juniors to Hold Gala at Y.M.C.A.

Next Monday Night at 7:15 Will Be Time of Action at Indoor Tank—Long Programme

The Junior Swimming Club of the Y.M.C.A. is holding its annual indoor gala at the association's tank on Monday, December 21, commencing at 7:15. A new shield has been put up for competition and the boys in the various classes are training hard.

The gala will be staged in three classes, namely, under eighteen years, under sixteen, and under fourteen. Ribbons will be given to the first, second and third in each event, and the class champions will have their names engraved on the shield. The programme of the various classes is as follows:

Under fourteen: 40 yards free; 20 yards backstroke; 20 yards breaststroke; dive, plain (one), optional.

Under sixteen: 60 yards free; 40 yards side overarm; 20 yards backstroke; 40 yards breaststroke; dives, plain (two), optional.

Under eighteen: 60 yards free style; 100 yards free style; 200 yards free style; 40 yards backstroke; 40 yards breaststroke; dives, plain (three), optional; plunge for distance; club relay races.

Compston and Massey To Tour United States

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Archie Compston, British professional golf champion, and Arnaud Massey, former French and British open holder, will sail for the United States, December 23, to fulfill engagements in Florida, and later tour the country.

Old Country Football

English Cup Replay

Grimsby 3, Kettering 1.

Grimsby meets Birmingham in the third round.

Wednesday League Football

Hudson's Bays, Leading Club, Will Be Opposed by Kirkhams Today—Three Games Scheduled

Wednesday League football fixtures for today are: Kirkhams vs. Hudson's Bays, Beacon Hill (lower ground); Navy vs. Tillicums, Beacon Hill (upper ground); referee, P. O. Temple; Garrison vs. Rennie & Taylors, Central Park; referee, Hewison. All games are scheduled to commence at 2:30 p.m.

With the first half of the schedule of the Victoria and District Wednesday League almost completed interest in today's games is very keen. The Bays, who are at present leading the league by a margin of three points, are billed to meet Kirkhams at Beacon Hill. The departmental store eleven are favorites for this tussle, but the grocerymen have been going along at a nice clip of late and can be relied upon to give the holders of the top berth a merry battle. While these teams are battling on the lower ground the Navy and the Tillicums will try conclusions on the upper ground. The naval boys are at the bottom of the league, but still they are capable of playing a hard game and today they will look for a victory at the expense of the Tillicums.

At Central Park

At Central Park two teams, with but a single point between them will fight for second place, namely the Garrison and Rennie & Taylors. The latter team are at present holding down the second berth with ten points, while the former eleven have nine. A win for the Garrison today will give them a step up the ladder, whereas defeat will about put them out of the running for the first half. This should be a merry battle and the followers of the midweek soccer league who wind their way to Central Park today should witness a hard game. The line-ups of the teams are:

Garrison — Peterson; Watt and Ross; Mitchell, Bryson and White; Richard, Kemp, Brown, Pocock and Henry.

Commission Fines Foley's Manager

Jack Allen Must Part From Two Hundred Dollars—Return Bout Barred

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—The Ontario Athletic Commission yesterday fined Jack Allen, manager for Vic Foley, $200 and stipulated that Bobby Ebber is not to meet Foley in a return bout in Vancouver for at least four months. This is the outcome of the fight between Foley and Ebber last week, when Ebber wrested the Canadian bantamweight title from Foley on the decision of Referee Sinclair.

Before the bout, it is alleged, Foley temporarily refused to fight unless Lou Marsh be the referee, but finally acquiesced to go on with Sinclair, the commission's appointee as referee. After the fight Foley and his manager were ordered by the commission to remain in Toronto until the question of whether there was a secret understanding that Marsh would take the place of a referee appointed by the commission, thus, it was claimed, challenging the commission's authority. Foley and his manager, however, left before any investigation was held.

The promoter of the fight, William Merrissey, has been ordered by the commission to pay over to Ebber his full purse, this to include the $500 which, it is alleged, was retained as a forfeit that Ebber would meet Foley in Vancouver.

Pros Cannot Play Tennis as Amateurs

English Lawn Tennis Association Decides Against Proposal to Let Down the Bars

LONDON, Dec. 16.—The Lawn Tennis Association meeting in London today decided against the proposal to permit professionals in other branches of sport to compete as amateurs in tennis. The move to let the professionals in took the form of an amendment to delete clause 27, which makes it impossible for a professional in any other branch of sport to become an amateur lawn tennis player. It brought on a heated discussion, but was defeated.

The only Dominion represented at the meeting was Canada, whose representative was George J. Nicholls, executive member for the Surrey Lawn Tennis Association. Mr. Nicholls opposed the amendment, and stated that, were the clause deleted, it would mean the Lawn Tennis Association would have to resign from the International Federation. Canada's stand evidently influenced the meeting, and was the main factor in the defeat of the proposal.

Alter Restrictions On Ladies' Play at Victoria Golf Club

At a meeting of the general committee of the Victoria Golf Club, held on December 14, it was resolved that "on Wednesdays and Saturdays ladies be permitted to tee off before 3 p.m. and after 3 p.m. during the whole of the year, and that the former ladies' restrictions relating to Wednesdays and Saturdays be cancelled." No change has been made in the Sunday rule and ladies may continue to tee off after 3 p.m.

Monthly Competition At Oak Bay Saturday

The fourth monthly competition of the Victoria Golf Club will be played on Saturday next, December 19. It will consist of a medal round of eighteen holes and full handicap will be allowed. The entrance fee will be fifty cents and post entries will be received. The competition will be a sweepstake and two prizes will be awarded.



A. K. JONES

Member of the touring English badminton team, and (with H. S. Huber) present doubles champion of the British Isles.

President's Team Wins Colwood Golf Match by Handsome Point Margin

The team match played at the Colwood Golf and Country Club on Sunday between President and Captain's teams was won easily by the former with a score of sixty-eight points (holes up) to twenty-six. The scores in individual matches with the president's players named first in each case, follow:

A. V. Macan beat F. Thomas, 2 up.
J. A. Sayward lost to C. P. W. Schwengers, 6 down.
A. T. Goward beat J. M. Wood, 2 up.
F. S. Wilson beat R. J. Dercus, 3 up.
J. M. Findlay lost to G. Simpson, 3 down.
H. A. Lineham beat E. W. Ismay, 2 up.
W. S. Ellis lost to G. S. Gallini, 3 down.
Dr. F. M. Bryant beat W. Rasmussen, 8 up.
H. O. Kirkham beat J. H. Beatty, 3 up.
W. W. Hall beat E. M. Brown, 4 up.
H. A. Hincks beat J. H. Richardson, 3 up.
J. H. Stewart beat A. D. Straith, 1 up.
George Straith beat T. S. McPherson, 5 up.
A. E. Haynes beat A. Muir, 3 up.
C. M. Bernie beat R. H. Brenchley, 1 up.
A. W. Miller lost to Dr. G. H. Hall, 1 down.
H. R. Ciceri beat Dr. G. H. Haynes, 3 up.
L. W. Slade beat C. Denham, 1 up.
George Wilkinson beat V. C. Martin, 1 up.
H. A. Tomalin lost to Dr. McMicking, 1 down.
Capt. E. G. Williams lost to S. Brady, 1 down.
Dr. M. J. Keyes beat A. McDiarmott, 3 up.
W. B. Ryan and Angus Campbell were all square.
P. C. Abell beat J. Scott, 4 up.
E. N. Horsey lost to J. L. Mara, 5 down.
General T. M. Ross lost to J. V. Meston, 3 down.
H. A. Stuart beat Capt. Cummings, 2 up.
A. S. Jones lost to Dr. Garesche, 3 down.
J. O. Roberts beat Hon. Justice Galliher, 3 up.
A. J. Gray beat H. K. Perry, 7 up.
W. S. Terry beat F. Bone, 5 up.

Golf Championship Arrangements Fixed By Royal and Ancient

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland, Dec. 15.—The Royal and Ancient Golf Club announces that the qualifying round for the open golf championship will be held on June 14 and 17. The north section rounds will be contested over the courses of the Western Gailes Golf Club, Ayrshire, and the Glasgow Gailes Golf Club. The southern section will be held over the Sunningdale old course and the Sunningdale new course, and the central section over the St. Anne's old course and the Blackpool Golf Club.

The number of players will be proportionate to the number of entrants and amateurs will compete in the section in which the club from which they enter is situated.

Entrants from overseas will be distributed by ballot equally between the central and southern sections. The entries will close May 15. The championship round will be played at Lytham and St. Anne's in the week beginning June 21.

Welterweight Title Will Be at Stake In Toronto Fight

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—Local boxing enthusiasts will be treated to another Canadian championship here on Monday, December 21, when George Fifield, welterweight champion, will defend his title against Frankie Ball, Toronto. Ball already holds one decision over the champion, having defeated him about a year ago. Since that time Fifield won the Canadian title and defended it several times.

Veterans to Play in Cumberland Sunday

The Veterans' Pacific Coast League soccer team will play Cumberland at Cumberland, Sunday next. The local team has not yet been selected, but a strong side will make the trip.

Racing at Tijuana

TIJUANA, Mex., Dec. 15.—Results of racing here today follow:

First race, one mile—Plow Steel, 96, Neal, $30.20, $9, $6.60; Jay Mac, 96, Wallace, $5.20, $4.60; Hackamore, 96, Jackson, $5. Time, 1:42 1-5.

Second race, five furlongs—Hester Ann, 101, Kelsey, $3.40, $2.40, $2.80; Lookdale, 103, Pets, $3.40, $2.60; Rey Reare, 99, Neal, $3.80. Time, 1:01.

Third race, five furlongs—Endman, 108, Mex, $6, $4.20, $3.40; Pawnbroker, 105, Whitacre, $7, $4.60; Wolf's Cry, 102, Kelly, $5.40. Time, 1:01.

Fourth race, one mile — Deep Thoughts, 100, Whitacre, $4.40, $3.80, $3; The Cherokee, 91, Paternel, $4.40, $6.20; Minstrel Boy, 94, Edwards, $4.80. Time, 1:39 1-5.

Fifth race, five and one-half furlongs—Edmon, 122, Mex, $6.60, $2.80, $2.40; Polo Star, 113, Baker, $2.60, $3.20; Rochester Jr., 116, Hatward, $5. Time, 1:06 3-5.

Sixth race, six furlongs — Good Hope, 110, Munden, $4.40, $3.80, $3.20; Betty Maloney, 103, T. Roberts, $10, $6.80; Brian Kent, 98, West, $5.40. Time, 1:13 1-5.

Seventh race, five and one-half furlongs—Highland Chief, 113, Vazelli, $9.40, $3.60, $4; Ruth Gold, 114, Philpot, $3, $2.80; Cleo's Rochester, 108, Renn, $3. Time, 1:06 2-5.

Eighth race, one mile and seventy yards—Iseman, 95, Burns, $15.40, $7.40, $4.80; El Cid, 98, Sylvia, $5.20, $3.40; Crystal Boer, 106, Wallace, $3.60. Time, 1:45 1-5.

Overnight Entries

First race, one mile—Wrackland, 91; Hamp, 95; Singon, 99; Captain Mac, 111; Cote d'Or, 113; Warzone, 114; Monopoly, 105; Plowsteel, 105; Smiling, 108; Goldcrump, 108; Stangelina, 109; Krekzunss, 113.

Second race, six furlongs—General Average, 98; Old Sinner, 98; Pullmacon, 98; Waldout, 111; Cuba, 114; Pat Carter, 106; Fleer, 106; Twin Fox, 106; Omega, 106; Baffles, 106; Dumbfounder, 106; Midnight Bell, 107; Gratian, 109; Jack Lell, 113.

Third race, six furlongs — Black Sand, 95; Cockpure, 96; Politics, 98; Blue Dale, 111; Ginger, 111; Miss Omond, 111; Combustion, 104; Old Blue, 104; Warpenny, 104; False Alarm, 106; Cadmus, 106; Fiesta, 106; Kinetic, 109; Archie Alexander, 113.

Fourth race, mile and a sixteenth —Caamano, 102; Mint Julep, 102; Praiseworthy, 106; Montana, 107; Queer Creek, 107; Sunbow, 109; Keala, 110; Tight, 111; Ballotcar, 113.

Fifth race, five and a half furlongs —Ninon, 107; Betty O'Brien, 107; Walter de B, 110; Runsmore, 112; Stardust, 112; Nona, 112; Marie K, 113; Cockrill, 115; Kamehameha, 115; Boose Boyer, 115; Crossbow, 115; Cleo's Rochester, 115.

Sixth race, six furlongs—Clermont Jr., 95; Brother John, 102; Miss Emmert, 102; Fanny Decoursey, 104; Jock Fairman, 107; Queen Catherine, 110; June Grass, 114.

Seventh race, one mile and seventy yards—Darius, 97; Bellamente, 97; Scarecrow, 103; Brotherly Love, 103, Cypreme, 103; Wood Lady, 103; Ethel F, 103; China, 104; Worthman, 106; Billy Todd, 109.

Eighth race, four and a half furlongs—Bill McCloy, 103; Little Shasta, 103; Mary Dear, 104; Llanimo, 104; Farnell Lad, 105; Billy-em, 106; Tailteann, 107; Dick Turpin, 107; Queen Bess, 110; Quannah, 108; Pionic, 109; Vanderburg, 109; F. T. Churchill, 112; Great Finisher, 114; Mr. Ruby, 100.

Gallagher Wants Return Match With Fielding

Bert Hughes, manager of Al. Gallagher, the well known Vancouver bantamweight boxer, has written to Al. Davies asking him to try and arrange a return fight in Victoria between Tommy Fielding, the local boxer, and Gallagher. These two boys met in a Vancouver ring some weeks ago, when the Victoria boy was awarded the decision after four rounds of close milling. Ever since that contest the Vancouver boy has been clamorong for a return bout, hence the present challenge.

Lady Olympic Swimmer Clips World's Record

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Miss Matilda Schuerich, youngest member of the 1924 Olympic swimming team and a member of the Women's Swimming Association, clipped two seconds from the world's record for women in a fifty-yard, breast-stroke test here today. Her time was :37 2-5 seconds. The former record was :39 2-5.



D. W. DOW

Of Enderby, B.C., one of the two men selected from Ontario for Rhodes scholarships this year. In addition to his scholastic attainments he has been a member of the Varsity senior and O.R.F.U. rugby teams.

New York Falls for Pro Hockey; Canadiens Win From Americans

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The Montreal Canadiens and professional hockey came to New York tonight and both registered an undisputed victory. The "Flying Frenchmen" took their victory from the recently-organized New York American club by the count of 3-1, while Canada's national Winter sport left 19,000 of New York's sport followers gaping under the thrills and ... to be taken as any criterion the Winter sport as fostered by the N.H.L., has found a firm spot in the heart of Gotham's sportdom.

Senators Win

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Ottawa Senators retained the leading position in the National Hockey League standing by defeating Boston Bruins in a fast game here tonight 2-1.

The Bruins held the Senators scoreless in the first period and in the second stanza each netted one. Ottawa broke the tie early in the final period when Denennay got close in on the Boston net and easily slipped one past the goalie.

Sunday School Basketball

Intermediates Stage Fine Game at Memorial Hall, Falcons Winning From First Presbyterians

Two real fast basketball games were played in the Sunday School League last night at the Memorial Hall. In the intermediate "A" game the St. Andrew's boys lost out to the Falcons from the First Presbyterian Church by a 36-15 score, while the James Bay quintette downed the Mets' senior men's team to the tune of 29-10.

The intermediate game was far the better of the two and kept the large crowd of fans on its toes throughout the whole forty minutes of play. Bob Addie, the fleet-footed forward of the Saints, put his team in the lead shortly after the beginning of the game, and in a few seconds netted a free throw, giving the Saints a three-point lead. Finally Robertson netted the ball for their first score, and immediately the Falcons ran in nine points in short order. However, this lead did not last long as the Andrewites came back with a combined rush and evened the score at nine all.

Just before half-time the Falcons ran in three more points, while their opponents tallied two, which made the score board read: Falcons 13, St. Andrew's 11.

In the second stanza both squads came back with renewed vigor, but neither team could score. With eight minutes to go the Firsts had a lead of three points, the score at that time being 18-15. The Saints took a time-out and Skillings, who had been unable to get down earlier, took up his original position at centre. This was the turning point and the Falcons ran rings around their opponents and, soon had the game tucked away. Inside of seven minutes they had rung the hoop for eighteen points, while their opponents were held scoreless. Redman refereed and the teams were:

Falcons: Doug Robertson (13), Joe Ross (3), Bud Hocking (4), Bill Murray (7), Jack McKenzie (6), Randy Tervo and Waldo Skillings (4).

St. Andrew's: Red Smith, Chuck Smith (3), Stewart Smith (3), Tom Little (4), Bob Addie (7), Alf Tripp, Johnny Brown, Jimmy McConnell.

The best team won in the Bay-Mets encounter. The Bays had far the better combination and their shooting, especially on the part of Lupton, was very good. The Mets resorted to too much individual play, which failed to get them very far. The Mets managed to hold their opponents to twelve points in the first twenty minutes of play, the score being 12-5 for the James Bay. In the final half the Bays ran wild and ran in seventeen points, while the best the Mets could do was gather in five points. The final score was 39-10 for James Bay. Lupton and Butler were the stars for the winners, scoring 23 points between them, while T. Whitely was high scorer for the losers, having six points to his credit. Tommy De Macedo refereed and the teams were:

James Bay: Davey (6), Lupton (15), Butler (6), Goodacre and Wright.

Mets: T. Whitely (6), A. Whitely (3), Lewis (1), H. Lewis, D. McPherson (1) and N. Redman.

Plan International Basketball January 1

CAPTAIN Jack McKenzie, of the Victoria Falcons Intermediate A basketball team, has received word from the manager of the Seattle Spalding team, asking the local players to journey over to Seattle on New Year's Day and play the Americans a return game. The basketball fans will remember that the Spalding team was the squad that played against the Falcons a short time ago, and staged one of the best games ever played in the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium. After a fast, clean game, the locals managed to pull through with a one-point win after five minutes' overtime had been played. Whether the First Church can repeat their performance New Year's Day remains to be seen, but the Victoria basketball followers certainly wish them the best of luck.

Sportive Punches

By the "Old 'Un"

Young IVAN TEMPLE got a warm welcome and a hearty cheer from the hockey fans on Monday night when he came back to play his first hockey game since his terrible accident last year which caused him the loss of an eye.

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He has shown himself a fine young sportsman and he played a splendid game last night in spite of the handicap imposed on him by his accident.

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The amateurs got away to a good start and appear due for a successful season. They have been playing a good class of hockey in recent years, and their games have been watched with a lot of interest by a lot of people.

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It is not an easy thing to run a successful amateur hockey league where artificial ice has to be used, for reasons often outlined in this column.

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Considering the limited opportunities for practice before hostilities opened the teams showed excellent form. Here's good luck to them!

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There seems to be some difference of opinion among the experts as to the best proportion of the sexes for the breeding of pheasants.

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A correspondent informs the Old 'Un that he does not consider the theory advanced in this column recently as to the cause of the varying percentage of cocks and hens tenable for a moment. Having kept poultry for many years he says he has never observed this to be the cause.

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The percentage will vary in different breeds, from season to season, and also in early and later hatches, and he does not think that any person can definitely say why.

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His opinion is that an open season for hens would be a serious mistake and further deplete the stock, and the Old 'Un heartily agrees with him in the light of past experience on Vancouver Island.

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But to have an open season for pheasants but two weeks long seems to us to be hardly worth while and a poor advertisement of the sporting possibilities of the country.

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"RONNY" SCOTT-MONCRIEFF seems to be able to play good golf under worse conditions than he was used to in Victoria. Playing in a Cambridge University handicap competition at Royal Worlington, Newmarket, the other day, he was the winner of the Linskill Cup with an 87 gross, 82 net.

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The match was played in a gale of wind, which was interspersed with snowstorms. "Few courses," said the English paper's report, "can be bleaker in such conditions."

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It IS sometimes rather windy at Oak Bay in the Winter, where Ronny learned the game, and perhaps that helped.

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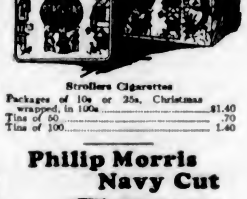


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Badminton Team Named To Play Britishers in Vancouver Matches

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—McTaggart Cowan will be Vancouver's best bet against the touring English badminton stars when they play here next Saturday. Cowan is the present holder of the Canadian championship. It will be England against Canada when Cowan meets Devlin, the British champion.

In the doubles event Jack Muir will pair with Gerry Gorges. One of the feature matches of the afternoon will be between Devlin and Miss Eileen George (British Columbia ladies' singles champion) and Sir George Thomas and Mrs. Partington.

Following is the complete programme subject to approval of the visitors on their arrival:

2:15, Sir George Thomas vs. Muir.
2:45, English double.
3:15, English single.
3:45, English pair vs. Muir and Georges.
Intermission for tea.
4:45, Devlin (British champion) vs. Cowan (Canadian champion).
5:15, English double.
5:45, Devlin and Miss George vs. Thomas and Mrs. Partington.

The Britishers leave Vancouver on Sunday evening for New York, where they will appear in an invitation exhibition.

Veterans' Football Dance

The Booster Club of the Veterans football team will hold the second of its fortnightly dances tonight at the Veterans of France Club from 8 to 11:30. A good programme of dance music has been arranged and Alf Steer's six-piece orchestra will be in attendance.



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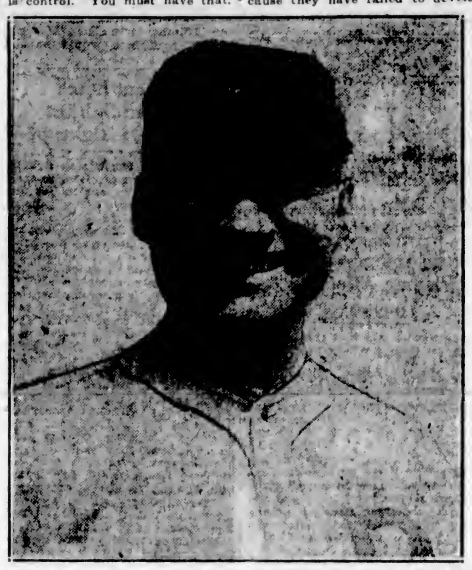
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CHAPTER XIV

The New Ball and the Pitcher

The late Addie Joss once remarked, "Pitching is sixty-five per cent of the game," and I agree with him. Good pitching will go a long way toward winning ball games. Without good pitching, unless you have a team of super hitters, you will not finish high in the pennant race. A poor hitting team with a good pitching staff will go a great deal higher than a good hitting team with a poor pitching staff, and the finest illustration of this point was the Chicago White Sox team that won the world championship in 1906. This team, composed of fair fielders and weak batters but possessed of a fine pitching staff, topped the baseball world.

The most important thing in pitching is control. You must have that.



It does not matter how much stuff you carry to the box if you can not control it. You will simply get yourself into a hole pitching fast balls, slow balls and curves, and then you must lay the ball into the groove to get out of the hole or walk your batter. Control is the big thing. A pitcher must get his stuff over and depend on his fielders. There are more games lost each year on bases on balls than on base hits.

They Had Control

Clark Griffith, "Red" Donohue, Bill Donovan and others whose names are known to all baseball fans, kept on pitching after they had lost their stuff because they had studied batsmen, found their weaknesses and knew how to pitch. They put the ball where they wanted to because they had control.

Pitching today is a much simpler matter than it was thirty years ago because there are so many pitchers. Unless a man has a remarkable physique, he is not worked oftener than every fourth or fifth day. They do not make them bigger today than they made them thirty years ago; rather they did not make them bigger thirty years ago than today. At that time a pitcher thought nothing about working every other day. Imagine the present pitcher working every third day, we will say!

Thirty years ago every club looked alike to a pitcher but not today. Now most of them like to pick their spots. They want to pitch only against certain teams. When they think they have the edge on a club, they want to be pitched against that club. When they think a club has the edge on them, they do not care about facing that particular team.

It is harder to curve a ball now than it used to be and this has cut into pitching effectiveness in the last five years. The cause for the difficulty is the lively ball. Under the rules that were imposed on pitchers a new ball was in play most of the time. If the ball was not brand new, it was practically new, for as soon as a ball showed the least signs of wear it was tossed out. The coverings of the new balls are oily and slippery, which makes them hard to grip and to curve a ball you must be able to grip it.

The new ball did not effect slow ball pitching but there has not been enough of this. Many pitchers fail to make good in the major leagues because they have failed to develop a slow ball. It is the slow ball that protects the fast ball and curve and makes them good.

Nothing Slow

I remember a few years ago a recruit pitcher reported to us in the Spring. The first day he warmed up I strolled over to him and this conversation took place:

"What have you got?"

"A fast one and a curve."

"Have you got a slow ball?"

"No, I don't need no slow ball. I breeze 'em by the batters."

"Well, you'll need a slow ball up here and if you haven't one they'll breeze 'em by you so fast they'll rock you to sleep."

The recruit thought he knew better. He put all his faith in his fast ball and curve and failed to develop a slow one. Two months later he was back in the minors and after "breezing 'em past" the minor leaguers for the rest of the season, he returned to the grocery store that he deserted for organized baseball and he is still clerking there six days each week.

It has always been a wonder to me that more pitchers are not injured. The pitcher stands sixty feet from the batter, which is not far away. When a ball is hit back at him on a line, it is generally hit so fast that he has not time to protect himself. Most of the danger comes in batting practice. Here the batters demand only fast balls. They want to hit the fast ones and they do hit them—a great many right back at the pitcher. That is the reason most of the accidents suffered by pitchers occur in batting practice.

English Badminton Team Wins Easily at Calgary

CALGARY, Dec. 15.—In the badminton games here this morning with the English team, Calgary players had little luck. L. H. Fenerty was beaten 15-0, 15-2 by Sir George Thomas, and in the doubles, J. F. Devlin and A. K. Jones won over Fenerty and Archer Toole, 15-2, 15-6.

In the exhibition games Jones lost to Devlin 15-10, 15-4 in the singles, while in the doubles, Thomas and Hawthorn won over Swindon and Martin, 19-18, 15-5.

Medals Presented to Nanaimo Juveniles

NANAIMO, Dec. 15.—In juvenile football games played Saturday the Gordon Estate Rangers were successful in winning two and drawing the third.

In the first division the Gordon Estate defeated the Tar Flats by three goals to two, and in a second division feature with the South End United, secured a draw, the score being three all. In the morning the third division met the Brechin team and defeated the latter by nine goals to nil.

On Friday evening last members and friends of the juvenile teams of the city met, the occasion being the presentation of the B. C. championship medals to the Reliable and Gordon Estate Ranger teams for first and third division, respectively. The presentation was made by Mr. Robert Quinn, president of the B. C. Juvenile Football Association, Vancouver. Presentation of medals was also made to the Gordon Estate baseball team, which last season won the B. C. Juvenile amateur baseball championship. Following the presentation the boys sat down to an excellent repast, which was conducted by Mesdames P. R. Kelly and J. West.

Those to receive medals were:

Reliables, E. Bradshaw (captain), B. Ruzicka, F. Endrizal, R. Inkster, G. Williams, J. Wallace, E. Peto, P. Parks, J. Kelly, E. Alexander, B. Coveney, G. Telford.

Gordon Estate: L. Good, H. Kelly, S. Krall, M. Williams, H. Harrison, C. Brunt, R. McArthur, G. West (captain), A. Sandland, R. Davis, E. White, H. Brodrick, G. Gavin, A. Williams.

Gordon Estate baseball team: M. West (captain), W. Thompson, N. Abshere, R. Watchorn, A. Fowler, I. Aitken, S. Miles, R. Slaughter, G. Hyneck, G. West, A. Jordan, R. McDougall.

Sooke Basketball

Two basketball games were staged in Charter's Hall on Saturday evening last. The preliminary game, between the Kitchen Gang and Sooke B teams, was won by the visitors. The home team started well with Roy Baker scoring the first basket, but could not keep up with the opponents' shooting. The final score was: Kitchen Gang, 27; Sooke B, 21. Z. Forbes refereed.

The second game was a thriller from start to finish and kept the record crowd in a continual uproar. The final score was: Speedways, 28; Sooke A, 46. The home team had excellent luck in shooting throughout the game and the score at half time was 18-16 in favor of Sooke A. The Speedways had their usual keen combination but fell down in finding the basket in the final period, which left the winners with a pretty majority.

An excellent dance followed, the Sooke Orchestra supplying music, and refreshments were served.

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Bowlers Plan Holiday Match

Teams Representing City and Districts Will Compete Boxing Day Afternoon

A holiday carpet bowling match between players resident in the city and a team drawn from the surrounding district has been arranged for Saturday afternoon, December 26.

The teams will consist of twelve a side and the games will be played simultaneously in the Women's Building at the Willows fair grounds, St. Mark's Hall, Boleskine Road, and the Burnside Centre at the corner of Harriet Road.

Committees appointed by the president of the league have been at work choosing sides and the following are the players selected to represent the city.

At the Willows—F. R. Quillie, R. W. Savage, H. Reid and C. A. Goodwin (skip). Reserves: J. McMillan, R. Tuthill and F. J. Callow.

At St. Mark's Hall—D. McCaig, R. Endeane, P. Handley and A. McMillan (skip). Reserves: D. McMillan, F. Webster and W. Grant.

At Burnside Centre—W. Littlejohn, A. Slocomb, R. Robertson and T. Bryant (skip). Reserves: S. Hawkins, M. Halliday and J. Denis.

At the Willows, the district committee will rely on—J. N. Nesbitt, G. Plimer, N. C. Ford and J. Leiper (skip), with F. Taylor, W. Hislop and E. Scrogge as reserves.

At St. Mark's—D. A. Vallance, E. G. Sherwood, W. Simmonds and Tom Gibson (skip), with A. Fisher, W. Moore and W. Scarfe as reserves.

At Burnside—P. Oliver, A. Hallam, F. Saunders and R. H. Huddlestone (skip), with W. H. Peter, F. Holmes and W. Tupman as reserves.

The games will commence at three o'clock and the public will be admitted free at all three places. Ladies are invited. The committee requests that any player selected who is unable to play will please notify his skip with as little delay as possible.

Referees will be F. J. Hyng, Rev. H. V. Hitchcox and George Vallance.

Brentwood Basketball

BRENTWOOD, Dec. 15.—Three basketball games took place on Friday evening in the West Road Hall between the First Presbyterian and West Road senior, intermediate and junior teams.

The junior game was won by the West Road, the score being 40-39, and the line-up:

Presbyterians: L. Forbes, R. Moffat, G. Robertson, H. Williams, L. Taylor, A. Foubister, G. Killick.

West Road: C. Creed, R. Stewart, R. Kersey, Claude Sluggett, Clarence Sluggett.

The intermediate game was won by the Presbyterians, 30-28.

Presbyterians: A. Wright, H. Killick, B. Robertson, J. Moir, B. Killick.

West Road: W. Tanner, P. Shiner, M. Rice, R. Anderson, A. Styan.

The senior game was also won by the Presbyterians, 39-26, with a line-up as follows:

Presbyterians: Foubister, Turpel, Streeter, Skillings, White, Forbes, Hudson.

West Road: H. Tubman, J. Lennan, G. Lennan, C. Hammond, M. Lennan. W. Hudson referred for the juniors, G. Forbes for the intermediates and H. Killick for the seniors.

Local Gunners Set Up Unique Record in Artillery Contests

Two Batteries of Fifth B.C. Coast Brigade, Canadian Artillery, Capture Every Prize Offered This Year —Battery Gets 12 Hits Out of 20 Rounds

Establishing a record unique in the history of gunnery contests in the Dominion of Canada, two local batteries of the Fifth B.C. Coast Brigade, Canadian Artillery, have captured all the prizes, cups, trophies and cash offered this year for coast competition throughout the country.

Primacy in this attainment goes to the Fifty-fifth Battery (old No. 1 Company, Fifth C.G.A.), under the command of Major M. Kirkpatrick-Crockett, which has won the following:

Baron Byng's Cup for general efficiency, the highest award offered in Canada; first prize and cup for efficiency of personnel; first place and Turnbull Challenge Shield for gun practice.

The other awards offered for coast artillery competition have been won by the Fifty-sixth Battery (old No. 2 Company, Fifth C.G.A.), under the command of Major A. E. Robertson, which secured second prize and cup for gun practice; second prize and trophy for efficiency of personnel, and third prize for general efficiency.

This remarkable record for marksmanship set by the Fifty-fifth Battery was achieved under adverse weather conditions last July. The shoots were carried out when a slight mist prevailed and a heavy sea was running. Added to this, atmospheric conditions were conducive to mirages. The two Hong Kong targets towed by one of the naval craft at full speed on a course from William Head to Trial Island, heeled and rolled in the trough of the waves. At times only the tops of the targets could be seen by the sighting gunners.

In spite of this, Major Crockett's six-inch quick-firers secured twelve direct hits out of a series of twenty rounds, fired at distances ranging from 8,000 to 10,000 yards. Under the direction of Captain Aubrey Kent, the twelve-pounder quick-firers of the same battery also made a remarkably good showing.

It is estimated that about ten other batteries in Canada were competitors of the local units.

To The Colonist yesterday Major Crockett said:

"I am perfectly delighted with the results. They are a logical outcome of the splendid, persevering work of the officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the battery, who for the past three years have been edged out of first place in these competitions by narrow margins. Under the tutelage of the very capable permanent force instructors of the Royal Canadian Artillery the men trained indefatigably for many weeks prior to the event. The cheerfulness and willingness with which they gave of their time and renounced social pleasures for the good of the battery, illustrated the fine esprit de corps which has enabled the record of British Columbia's premier militia regiment to be maintained."

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 15.—Major J. S. Matthews, general manager, and Captain F. C. Brown, sales manager, of the Canada Western Cordage Company, were seriously injured yesterday afternoon when their automobile was struck by a C.P.R. eastbound freight train on a crossing near the cordage plant. Both men are in hospital.

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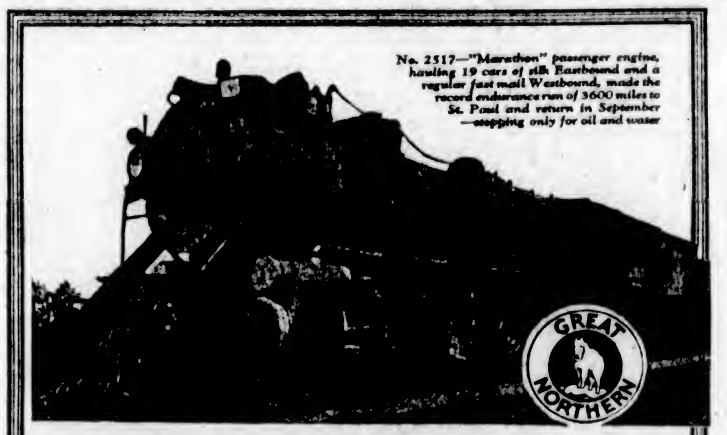
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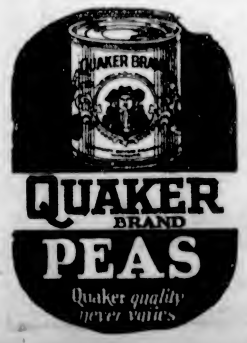
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Negroes Confess Murder

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 15.—Lee Walker, negro, fired the shot that killed Ira M. Hudson, El Dorado lumberman and oil operator, after he and another negro, James Walker, held up Hudson and robbed him of a $700 payroll, according to the confessions the negroes dictated to prison officials. The negroes, who are cousins, were brought to the penitentiary here by the sheriff of Union County for safekeeping.



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Defaulting Officer's Release Is Sought

Deputation Seeks Remission of Big Fine Against Imprisoned Ontario Ex-Treasurer

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—The release on parole by Christmas of Peter Smith, former Provincial Treasurer of Ontario, now in Portsmouth penitentiary, and the remission of the fine of $100,000 imposed upon him by the appellate division of the Supreme Court of Ontario in connection with the Ontario bond scandal, were urged by a delegation which waited upon Hon Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Justice, this morning. Careful consideration of the request was promised by Mr. Lapointe.

The members of the delegation, it was said, felt that an "early release" of Smith on parole would be granted.

The members of the delegation included W. E. Raney, former Attorney-General of Ontario.

The grounds for the release of Smith advanced today, it was said, were that the former Provincial Treasurer was now in a state of ill-health and that public sentiment was favorable to his release.

Natural History Society Hears About Sea Urchins

"There are eighty-five varieties of starfish, and three varieties of sea urchins between Alaska and middle of the Californian coast," said Mr. G. A. Hardy, of the Provincial Museum staff, in a delightful lecture given on Monday night before the Natural History Society.

By means of detailed drawings and photographs Mr. Hardy showed clearly the marvellous construction of the means whereby the starfish captures its food (clams and other shellfish) and walks on its rays, and clings to the rocks, all most wonderful mechanical provisions of nature. The sea urchins, he pointed out, were like starfish with the rays turned back over the top, joined by membranes, and with the spines enlarged.

He continued to explain that the sea urchins were a more crude form of starfish, but just as interesting, and might be found in all their perfection around Victoria. They have not been used commercially although they are edible and sometimes used by Indians.

They have practically no enemies and differ therein from other marine creatures.

Mr. Hardy was most cordially thanked for his most instructive address upon a subject which most people have not thought of any particular interest except that the starfish and sea urchins were pretty to look at.

The subject of the next meeting, on January 11, will be "Sea Plants."

Proposal of Revolving Fund for Loans Carries

The leader of the Opposition, Mr. R. H. Pooley, forced a division in the Legislature yesterday afternoon, for the purpose of "counting heads" and securing a record of members that were in favor and against the proposal of the Government that a revolving fund be set up by the Government, from which loans, up to the value of sixty per cent of the cost of the house, were to be made to persons desiring to erect dwellings on lands purchased or leased from the crown in the university area at Point Grey.

Mr. Pooley had expressed his opposition to the project on the committee stage of the bill, but took the opportunity of the third reason in order to get a record taken.

The division resulted in Mr. D. A. Stoddart, Liberal member for Cariboo, voting against the Government, carrying the proposal through with the aid of the Provincial Labor and Independent members of the Legislature. Two Liberals, Messrs. Perry (Fort George) and Leary (Kaslo-Slocan) and one Conservative, Mr. Catherwood (Dewdney), were absent from the division, which resulted in a vote of twenty-six to eighteen in favor of the Government.

Mrs. Alexander McLean Dead

CARLETON PLACE, Ont., Dec. 15.—Mrs. Alexander McLean, aged seventy-four, died here yesterday following a stroke. Mr. Alexander McLean, of Campbell River, B.C., and Mr. George McLean, of Glacier, B.C., are sons. Mrs. J. Tucker, also of Glacier, B.C., is a daughter.

Irate Father (who has been trying to satisfy John's curiosity on every known subject): "Now, Johnnie, if you ask me another question, I'll whip you on the spot."

"Wh-wh-what spot, papa?"

At the Playhouses

PLAYHOUSE THEATRE A powerful society melodrama packed full of thrills and laughs galore is "The New Commandment," the First National production now showing at the Playhouse. The cast includes Ben Lyon, Blanche Sweet and many others well known to movie fans.

DOMINION THEATRE Wesley Barry's boyhood ambition, cherished perhaps throughout several years of juvenile stardom, bore fruit after a meeting with Commander Herbert R. Jones and Captain H. E. Cook, Commandant of Midshipmen at the Naval Academy. Both these naval officers had been assigned by the Navy Department to assist Director Christy Cabanne with the picturization of "The Midshipman," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's picturization of Naval Academy life which is being presented at the Dominion Theatre this week. In it Wesley Barry plays a midshipman under Ramon Novarro, the star of the photoplay.

COLISEUM THEATRE "The Merry Widow", at the Coliseum again delighted an enthusiastic audience last night. Wonderful dresses, artistic scenery, charming musical numbers and sparkling dialogues combined to make the elaborate production enjoyable from the second the curtain was raised. "The Manicure Girl," starring Bebe Daniels, a Paramount comedy, was thoroughly enjoyed. Edmund Burns plays opposite the star.

COLUMBIA THEATRE "Ramshackle House," starring Betty Compson, closes its engagement at the Columbia Theatre tonight. It is a colorful story of love, mystery and adventure laid in Florida. A goodly portion of the thrills take place in the dangerous Everglades, a setting said to be used for the first time in this picture.

CAPITOL THEATRE In "The Lady Who Lied," First National's current offering at the Capitol Theatre, there are scenes showing an Algerian border town which any one probably would be willing to wager could not have been filmed elsewhere than on the Sahara Desert. And yet they are reproductions, built right on the studio lot in Hollywood. Such are the perfections, albeit deceptions, of the movies.

AMUSEMENTS

The Screen

Capitol—"The Lady Who Lied," with all-star cast.

Columbia—Betty Compson in "Ramshackle House."

Dominion Theatre—Ramon Novarro in "The Midshipman."

The Stage

Coliseum—"The Merry Widow."

Playhouse—"Father Goes to Work."

English Company Opens at the Royal On Thursday Night

Comencing tomorrow evening, for three days, with a special matinee on Saturday afternoon at 2:30, the Cameron Matthews English Company makes its first appearance in Victoria, in A. A. Milnes' clever comedy, "The Dover Road."

It is a gay, fanciful, imaginative nd humorous comedy. A philosophic comedy, a polite farce, a bit of bachelor's romance, all rolled lightly into one delightful play, making a substantial and agreeable entertainment. A visit to "The Dover Road" will undoubtedly be one of the happiest evenings you have spent in a long, long while. The timely Christmas prices for this excellent English company, have so far met with general approval. There will be a special bargain matinee on Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

G. P. Huntley and "Three Little Maids" Here Christmas Day

Good music is always new and famous song hits like those in the English musical comedy "Three Little Maids" never grow old.

When it was announced that G. P. Huntley, the celebrated English comedian, was to tour Canada in this, one of the most outstanding of all his successes, representatives of three publishers called within a week and asked Capt. M. W. Plunkett, who is sponsoring the tour, for permission to re-publish it. Its popularity, they said, seemed to be almost everlasting.

The singing cast for the transcontinental production of this musical comedy was hand-picked and includes many concert stars now making their first appearances in musical comedy.

"Three Little Maids," with G. P. Huntley, comes to the Royal Victoria for a two-day stay, commencing Friday, December 25, with a matinee on Saturday. Mail orders are now being received.

Great Actor-Singer Is Expected Here Early in January

It is announced that William Heughan, who has been acclaimed by the world-wide press "the incomparable actor and singer" will appear in this city during the first week in January. The dates have not yet been definitely fixed, as Mr. J. K. Heughan, the organizing manager, says that Mr. Heughan and party are held up in Pekin owing to war conditions prevailing there, and as a result a number of important engagements in Japan have had to be cancelled. It is hoped, however, that they will be able to arrive here by the Ss. President Jefferson, due on December 30.

William Heughan is an artist who has made a great name on the concert platform and operatic stage in London, as well as in the capital cities of Europe, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, India and the Orient, and now comes to Canada and the United States to fulfill important engagements in the principal cities. With him come Hyman Lenzer, a famous violinist, and Gladys Sayer, the well-known English pianiste.

Dates of their appearance here will be announced later.

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It is really wonderful how quickly this home-made remedy conquers a cough—usually in 24 hours or less. It seems to penetrate through every air passage, loosens a dry, hoarse or tight cough, lifts the phlegm, heals the membranes, and gives almost immediate relief. Splendid for throat tickle, hoarseness, croup, bronchitis and bronchial asthma.

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To avoid disappointment ask your druggist for "2½ ounces of Pinex" with directions, and don't accept anything else. Guaranteed to give absolute satisfaction or money refunded. The Pinex Co., Toronto, Ont.

Charter Amendment Dispute Affecting Vancouver Settled

Vancouver members of the Legislature have defined their position in respect to the Vancouver charter amendments and yesterday issued a written statement on the subject.

The five members who were present when the charter amendments were discussed with Ald. G. H. Worthington, City Solicitor J. E. Williams and Mr. A. E. Craddock, secretary of the Associated Property Owners of Vancouver, signed the statement, while Mr. Charles Woodward, who was not present at the time, signed it as endorsing the stand taken by the others.

The statement reads:

"After a friendly discussion concerning various proposed city charter amendments, it was mutually agreed that all other than those passed by the Private Bills Committee, or those on which complete agreement could be reached, should be withdrawn. Agreement had been reached with reference to two of the amendments proposed by the Attorney-General, namely, the one dealing with pauper burials and inquests. It was made clear by the city members that they took this stand in the interests of full and complete consultation, and it was mutually agreed that a conference should be held early in the new year between the Mayor and council of Vancouver, the Attorney-General, the Vancouver members of the Legislature and representatives of the Associated Property Owners, at which the withdrawn amendments and any others any of the parties should wish to bring forward should be considered. The city members made it plain that if adequate consultation were not arranged for by the council, they would assist the Attorney-General in opening the charter next year."



THE SPECIALTY

Mr. Taxpayer: "Pardon me for altering your advertisement, Mr. Baldwin, but I think it's now really very much more like the truth."

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Has Been Resident Of Province for Fifty Years Today

Mr. W. J. Goepel, 1528 Monterey Avenue, Oak Bay, for many years Deputy Minister of Finance, completes today fifty years of residence in this city.

Mr. Goepel, who retired from his official post on March 31, 1922, after thirty years in the civil service, arrived on the steamship Salvador, December 16, 1875, from the Old Country.

Ask Protection From Congress

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Representatives of the French clothing and textile industries today decided to petition the Government to take immediate steps to prevent the United States Congress from carrying out its reported intention of raising the duties on their product.

Mines Department Estimates Pass

Criticism Is Voiced at Terms of Superannuation for Deputy Minister

Estimates for the Provincial Department of Mines, Hon. William Sloan, Minister, totaling $276,745, were passed by the Legislature on Monday night with very little discussion, the Minister's explanation of various items being accepted in each case.

Some discussion developed regarding the Government's action in refusing to base superannuation pension for Mr. R. F. Tolmie, former Deputy Minister of Mines, who was retired this year, on his full service of nearly thirty-nine years, but instead on a basis of thirty-five years service. Mr. R. H. Pooley, Opposition Leader, considered that Mr. Tolmie, a man who had given the best part of his life to the Government service, had been treated most unjustly.

Premier Oliver declared that British Columbia could not afford to pay superannuation salary of more than $180 a month, the amount allowed Mr. Tolmie. If he had his way, he said, Mr. Tolmie would have been given less.

Amendment Eases Law on Subject Of Rights-of-Way

Representations by the British Columbia Chamber of Mines to the Government on the subject of mining rights-of-way have borne fruit in the shape of legislation introduced in the Legislature last Monday night by the Minister of Mines, who has conceded to the Chamber's request that mining companies and owners of mining properties be granted the same privilege that the lumber industry enjoys under the Forestry Act. At present, if they seek right-of-way, for the purpose of bringing in machinery and supplies, or getting their ores out, they are required to become incorporated and secure a charter to build a railway. In future, under the proposed measure, they may secure such right-of-way without consent of the owner of the land on condition that they serve a notice on him, describing the land they wish to take for right-of-way, together with a declaration of readiness to pay a certain sum or rent, by way of compensation.

The Minister, whose approval is necessary, must also be advised of the claim, and provision is being made for arbitration in the event of no agreement between the parties. The land taken without owner's consent shall be limited by the Bill, and, unless taken in fee simple, right-of-way shall be an easement only, subject to the fixtures being required to be removed at its termination. The present Mineral Right-of-Way Act is repealed.

Premier King's Birthday

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—Right Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King, Premier of Canada, celebrates his fifty-first birthday next Thursday. On December 17, 1874, he was born at Berlin, Ontario, now the city of Kitchener.

Willesden wife: My husband is engaged to another girl.

Magistrate: He can get engaged to as many girls as he likes, but he cannot marry any of them.

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Crystal Garden At the Rear of the Empress Hotel

Attorney-General Asked To Recommend Leniency

Allowed his freedom on suspended sentence on the charge of taking a bicycle from a second-hand store, Wilfred Jenkins awaits the decision of the Attorney-General on another offense to which he pleaded guilty in the Esquimalt Police Court yesterday, that of breaking and entering the store of Mrs. Wells and taking a fancy basket therefrom.

Police Magistrate Jay, who heard the case, pointed out that he was not able to do anything in the matter of leniency following the other case, and that the only recourse would be by way of an appeal to the Attorney-General in the matter. In order to allow this appeal to be made the decision of the magistrate was postponed until this morning.

John Carlos, who was charged with being implicated in the taking of the basket, pleaded not guilty and was acquitted. The magistrate, in discharging him, said that the whole matter should serve as a warning to him to beware in the future of the company he kept.

December 26 Likely Holiday

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—It is probable that a holiday will be given to the civil service on Saturday, December 26, the day following Christmas. The latter, of course, is a holiday and the Saturday would be a half-holiday.

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78 Pairs Ladies' Shoes, mostly strap slippers; assorted sizes. 10 A.M., Thursday. Pair **$1.98**

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Shoes for Ladies—Shoes for Men—Shoes for Boys and Girls—Shoes for Children. No odd lines; full sizes in every lot. One of the highest grade stocks in Victoria City at prices that are unrepeatable. Positively No Reserve. SAVE! SAVE!

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$6.00 and up, the regular values. Both Spanish and low satin covered heels. All sizes, all fittings. Sale Price, pair..... **$3.98**

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Fine Patent Coltskin, Black and Brown Calf Leathers; some semi-brogue. The sizes range from 11 to 2. Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, out they go at, pair, Sale Price..... **$2.98**

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Brown calf leathers; the new last, Goodyear welts; all sizes. Sale Price, pair..... **$3.98**



Again I offer you Prices!—Prices that are positively cut to the bone. Hurry! Hurry! Buy Shoes Now. MACARTHUR HERE—NOW

About 200 Pairs

Ladies' $8.50 Slippers Go at $2.98

All sizes in the lot. Fine patent, black and brown kid; cut-out styles, one and two strap styles. Hurry! Hurry! On Sale Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Pair **$2.98**

200 Pairs Ladies' Christmas Slippers at 98c Pair

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Misses' High Shoes at $2.98

Black and Brown Calf Leathers —the sizes are full, 11 to 2. Regular $4.50 to $5.50, Thorne price. On Sale now at **$2.98**

Mothers! Mothers Take Notice —Here Is Your Sale, Indeed!

A Great Sale of Children's Shoes at 98c Pair

About 250 Pairs in the lot; sizes 4 to 6 only. English make, nature form style. Colors of blonde kid, black and brown kid, fine blue patent kidskin. Thursday at 10 A.M. Sale Price, pair..... **98c**

Great Free Offer With Ladies' Shoes

READ! LOOK! FREE!

10 o'Clock Thursday Morning

Free Rubbers! Free Rubbers!

The kind you pay 95c for regularly; any size. They are toe rubbers of the best standard makes. With every pair of ladies' shoes at $3.98 or over, One Pair Free.

142 Pairs Only

Men's $8.50 Dress Boots at $3.98

Black and Brown Fine Calf Leathers, Goodyear welted soles; all sizes. Sale Price, pair **$3.98**

Men's Working Boots

100 Pairs Men's Working Boots, absolutely solid leather insole and counters; all sizes. Sale Price, pair..... **$3.98**

This Great Selling Event Starts Thursday (Tomorrow) at 10 A.M.



Ladies' High Kid Boots

Regular $6.95—Going at $4.98 Come with a wide flexible cushion sole. The shoe for real comfort—the finest soft kid uppers. All sizes. Sale Price, pair **$4.98**

Ladies' Calf Oxfords

Regular price $6.95. These 3-Eyelet Tie Oxfords, black and brown calf leathers, Goodyear welted soles; all sizes. Sale Price, pair... **$4.48**

Boys! Boys! Here's Your Sale

Boys' $4.50 Heavy Grain Leather School Boots. Sizes are from 11 to 5½. Only 85 pairs. Sale Price **$2.85**

Ladies' $7.50 Strap Slippers at $4.98

All the latest styles; kid covered heels, Spanish style, strap and cut-outs—in fact, the greatest buy of this price-cutting store-wide sale. Sale Price, pair **$4.98**

Christmas Slippers for Men

Now on Sale

200 Pairs Men's Felt Slippers, all sizes in the lot. Sale Price, pair

$1.24

TAKE SPECIAL NOTICE HERE

A Mighty Slashing of Prices on All Lines Except the Famous Edmond's Foot Fitters, Arch Preservers and Nature Tread Shoes. On these lines we are cutting the regular prices 15 Per Cent—MACARTHUR, for THORNE'S SHOE STORE. Positively No Charges During This Store-Wide Sale.

Famous English "Bell" Shoes for Boys, $4.65

Regular prices $5.95 and $6.00. Solid leather and lined throughout; the sizes are 2 to 4 only. Sale Price..... **$4.65**

Boys' $4.95 Heavy Solid Leather Boots

Sizes 1 to 5. Sale Price, pair..... **$3.75**

100 Pairs Boys' Leckie Boots

The "Red Stitch" quality; sizes 1 to 5½. Sale Price, a pair..... **$3.95**

Strap Slippers at $1.85 Pair

200 Pairs Girls' Patent Leather Strap Slippers. Sizes 8 to 10½. Sale Price, pair..... **$1.85**

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100 Pairs of Children's Bunnyfoot

$2.98

Regular $4.00. Patent, brown and black kid; sizes 8½ to 10½. Sale Price..... **$2.98**

ADDRESSES SOUND OPTIMISTIC NOTE AT BANK OF MONTREAL ANNUAL MEETING

Sir Vincent Meredith, President, Stated That in the Light of Present-Day Conditions, He Looked Forward With the Utmost Confidence to Canada's Future

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, General Manager, Stated Bank Had Never Been in a Better or Stronger Position to Undertake New Business—Bountiful Crop Has Helped Situation in Canada

The 108th Annual General Meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of Montreal was held in the Board Room at bank's headquarters. On motion of Mr. H. R. Drummond, Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., was requested to take the chair. Mr. E. W. Beatty moved, seconded by Mr. Henry Rawlings, that Mr. Hartland B. McDougall and Colonel George R. Hooper be appointed to act as scrutineers, and that Mr. C. H. Cronyn be the secretary of this meeting. This carried unanimously.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart, President, in addressing the Shareholders, said:

Before moving the adoption of the Report, it is customary for me to make a few remarks:

We have added to the Board during the year three representatives who provide a welcome accession to our strength—Mr. Thomas Ahearn, Mr. J. W. McConnell and Mr. F. W. Molson. I feel that the Bank is fortunate in having secured the able services of these gentlemen to assist in the direction of the Bank's affairs and the protection of your interests.

Also, since our last meeting, the acquisition of the Molsons Bank, which you authorized at the Special General Meeting on the 23rd of December last, has been accomplished. Taking over this important business has added materially to our branch system, and while the Molsons Bank shareholders received a fair price for their holdings, I am glad to say that with the economies in administration and operation effected through the consolidation of the business with ours, the results of the past year have proven satisfactory.

GENERAL BUSINESS CONDITIONS

In reviewing the business of the past year, our Balance Sheet indicates the general trend of events. Our deposits, as compared with two years ago, show a large increase, while our loans during the same period are considerably reduced.

The total commercial loans of all Canadian banks on the 30th September last were $150,000,000 lower than at the same date in 1923. This is due to dullness in certain lines of trade and also to the fact that the cheap money recently available has attracted some industries into raising permanent loans from the public, thereby strengthening their cash position to a point which enables them to carry on without the usual bank borrowings.

Our profits are in consequence somewhat adversely affected, but we are left in an unusually strong position to meet any calls which increased activity in trade may make upon us. Notwithstanding these conditions, our dividend and bonus have been earned and taxes paid, and we have a balance to carry forward.

The abnormally high yields on prewar and war investments have dwindled as capital has accumulated, and the necessity of finding profitable investment has no doubt been largely responsible for the advance in the prices of stock exchange securities.

Increased demands for commercial funds would result in higher money rates than those which have recently prevailed. This should not be a cause for concern, for moderately high money rates are a healthy symptom, constituting a factor in justifying confidence in the business outlook.

There is no question but that the trend of business is slowly but surely upward. As an evidence of this, car loadings are the largest on record, while wholesale and retail business shows a fair degree of increased activity. Textile industries are well employed, and there is more demand in the leather and allied trades. Improvement is also shown in other lines of business, although profits are curtailed in the grocery trade. There is little improvement in the lumber market in Eastern Canada, but western shipments by way of the Panama Canal have substantially increased.

Agriculture is our leading industry and on its profitable outcome the prosperity of the country largely depends. While unfavorable weather conditions restricted harvesting to some extent, the crop that was garnered this year is a very large one and, at present prices, will prove profitable to the farmer. The marketing of the crop will bring at least $500,000,000 of new money into Canada and will undoubtedly effect a liquidation in farmers' liabilities. This new money will flow into all channels of trade and be reflected in improved business conditions generally throughout the country.

The rapid movement of the crop to market required the use of a large amount of money. This the banks were able to supply without stress or strain of the currency system and without interruption of the use of credit for ordinary commercial purposes. In this accomplishment may be found a tribute to the excellence of our monetary laws and the adequacy of our banking resources.

CANADA'S FOREIGN TRADE

The figures of foreign trade are encouraging, the aggregate value of this commerce in the seven months ending October 31st last having been exceeded only once in the last seven years, viz., in 1920, when prices were at the peak. In the seven elapsed months for which returns are available, imports and domestic exports amounted to $1,248,000,000, an increase of close upon $200,000,000 over last year, and nearly 50 per cent. in excess of this trade as recently as four years ago. Taken in the large, satisfaction can be derived from this bald statement, nor is this satisfaction greatly diminished by closer examination of the figures. The balance is on the right side, exports having exceeded imports by the large sum of $181,243,000, an excess never before reached in a similar period. There is gratification also in the fact that farm products have made the principal contribution to the expansion of exports, these having had a value of $420,602,000 in the last seven months, being no less than 60 per cent of exports of all kinds and a monetary figure higher than has hitherto been reached. In this circumstance may be found the cause of the larger prosperity enjoyed by the agricultural classes in Canada.

The balance of export trade is derived chiefly from two other sources: the forest and the mine. From forest products, including pulp and paper, came about 22 per cent of the foreign commerce of the seven months, and from the mines 15 per cent. These items have shown gradual expansion in recent years and bid fair to contribute in the future a still larger proportion of Canada's exports.

The import side of trade returns calls for no special comment. Since March last, imports have risen $68,000,000 to a total of $533,620,000, the increase occurring in all classes of commodities. This may be accepted as an indication of the moderate improvement in business the country over which has latterly set in.

Yet, satisfactory though the figures of foreign trade thus appear, the conclusion is irresistible that the situation will be bettered when the country exports a larger percentage of its forest and mineral wealth in the form of finished articles and not of raw material to be fabricated abroad.

LABOR AND WAGES

Since the war, labor's position on this continent has been materially bettered, both as regards income and living conditions. Forces have been operating that have effected a more general distribution of the fruits of prosperity in the past ten years than ever before. One factor supporting this is the greater technical efficiency of production, which allows higher wages without proportionately increased prices. The most tangible evidences of this prosperous state are seen in the unparalleled rate at which savings are accumulating, also in the purchase on an increasing scale of many commodities and articles formerly classified as luxuries. The large buying power of the wage earner at present is reflected in the prosperity of the country.

According to statistics compiled by sources equipped to make a broad survey, what are colloquially called wages have gone up more than the cost of living in the past ten years. Some groups of labor are receiving wages of 100 per cent more than ten years ago, although the value of such wages, measured in purchasing power, is much less than that increase would imply.

FOREIGN COMPETITION

You may recall that two years ago I expressed the view that with the return of European countries to the gold basis, Canada would feel the effects of increased competition, both in her foreign trade and at home. This competition, which is now becoming increasingly apparent, is made possible through low labor costs, coupled with the longer hours and greater industry that prevail in European countries.

In my judgment, there are only two avenues of escape from the serious consequences of this competition. One of them is by manufacturers installing improved and efficient labor-saving machinery, so as to provide a larger turnover at small cost. The other, being of a controversial political nature, I am debarred from enlarging upon its merits.

AMERICAN CAPITAL IN CANADA

Fear of the Americanization of Canada has been expressed by visitors from overseas because of the large sums of money coming from the United States for investment in manufactories and other enterprises in this country. I do not share this fear, but rather welcome the flow of money, which must assist in the development of our natural resources, give employment to labor and increase our exports to other countries.

Nor does experience of like conditions in other countries give cause for apprehension, the investment of foreign capital in the development of resources of an alien nation benefiting both those who give and those who take. The firm loyalty of the Canadian people to the British Empire has roots deeper than the pocket.

The exportation of timber, power and other natural resources has been a much debated subject. My own feeling is that these resources should, as far as is possible, be retained and developed in Canada.

THE NATIONAL RAILWAYS

I make no apology for adverting again to the serious problem presented by the Canadian National Railways. The statement is officially made that during the last five years the capital debt of these roads has been increased $572,825,000, a staggeringly large amount when it is remembered that not one dollar of net revenue has yet been available towards these new interest charges. Some progress in earnings has, indeed, been made, but for every dollar thus gained there has been an offsetting liability in the shape of new capital obligations. I am persuaded that, of our national problems, none presses more urgently for solution upon Parliament than that of the railways.

IMMIGRATION

Immigration returns are distinctly disappointing. Not only has our country during the year reached only a very meagre total. Whether this is due to some restraining influence not apparent on the surface, or a want of activity on the part of immigration officials, it is difficult to determine. In any case, it is essential that our large areas of uncultivated lands should be settled and made productive. This would increase the demand for skilled labor in our industrial plants. By no other means can the burden of taxation be lessened, nor general progress and prosperity be so surely attained.

BUSINESS IN THE UNITED STATES

A gradually rising trend in business activity in the United States has been present in most of the leading industries, with the volume of production increasing at a rapid pace to above, or close to, previous records. The undertone of this prosperity is apparently sound, with prices and profits in better relation than in some years, and speculation for the most part confined to the securities market and real estate. The country's transportation systems are efficiently handling the enormous traffic resulting from the greater business activity, and bank clearings, which go with increasing production and greater exchange of goods, are substantially large.

Ease in the credit situation has been marked, with banking resources ample at reasonable rates. With an enlarging demand of consumers for goods of all kinds, the practice of purchasing a variety of commodities on deferred payment plans is extending rapidly, and has reached such proportions as to suggest the possibility of credit strain later. On the other hand, national accumulation of savings has been greater.

CONDITIONS IN EUROPE

Encouraging progress has been made during the year towards the restoration of international equilibrium. The most hopeful portent is the successful termination of the Locarno Conference, which should ensure a period of security from European war.

The settlement of international war indebtedness has not proceeded quite so satisfactorily, and it is to be hoped, in the interests of world stability, that before long arrangements will be completed between the United States and France and that the conditional settlement arrived at between Great Britain and France will be ratified.

Trade has been marked by some sharp contrasts, coal, shipping, shipbuilding, iron and steel, and cotton having experienced very lean times, while on the other hand other industries have enjoyed prosperity. In general a more hopeful feeling is evident regarding the future of British trade and signs are not wanting of a revival of business.

In France, the influence of politics has stood in the way of improvement in the financial situation, and the failure of the recent 4% Gold Loan has left the problem of the heavy Franch floating debt unsolved. The immense importance that the financial and economic position of France has upon the European situation as a whole impels the earnest hope that a way will be found out of the country's many difficulties in the near future.

Let me, in closing, say one word about the future. I realize that prophecy is at all times a hazardous venture, but I think I may safely say that the signs are propitious for an expansion of business durting the coming year.

After the great slump in 1921-23, when huge losses were made owing to depreciation in values, a hand-to-mouth policy was adopted and shelves were practically bare. Increased activity is now in evidence and forward buying is again being undertaken, though, so far, with caution and prudence.

The pressing necessity of restricting, so far as may be legitimately possible, all national expenditures is generally recognized, but unless it is followed by appropriate action which results in reduction in taxes, we cannot regard it as other than an ineffective gesture. If our expenditures should be so controlled that within a reasonable time Canadian taxes should not exceed those imposed in the United States, it would provide an important stimulus to industry and also an effective aid to immigration and colonization, the need for which is apparent. When I urge as strongly as I can that this measure of prudence and economy should be exercised, I do not do so with any feeling that lack of confidence in the country itself is warranted. In fact, I am more convinced than ever that the country, actually and potentially, possesses such wealth and opportunity that its future cannot be denied, and I deprecate most strongly expressions of opinion based upon local conditions and individual business which are perverted into pessimism as to the country's future when no real foundation for such a sentiment exists.

May I repeat, in the light of present-day conditions as I see them, what I said to you at our last meeting, that I look forward with the utmost confidence to Canada's future.

THE GENERAL MANAGER'S ADDRESS

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, General Manager, in submitting his annual address said:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:—

You have before you the one hundred and eighth annual statement of the Bank's position, and I beg leave to report that your Bank continues safe, sound, both strong and liquid, with a clean business and a satisfactory organization.

As you know, the good name we possess was never better than it is today. It is an asset which we value as we do our material resources, and which it is our duty as well as our determination to preserve.

We have gone through another year of business depression and this is reflected to the disadvantage of banking profits. Fortunately our great earning power continues, though obviously our profits would have been larger had the industrial situation permitted us to put out more money to the trade and commerce of Canada either on loans on call in London and New York, or to buy high-class investments with a lesser yield.

As to the future, my special message to our shareholders at distant points is an optimistic one. For several reasons, including a bountiful harvest, there has come about a better and more hopeful feeling throughout Canada. In consequence, there is ground for thinking that we have passed through the worst of our bad times and that we can look for better general conditions, in which, naturally, our Bank must share, especially as we have never been in a better or stronger position to undertake new business.

In round figures, we have

Of cash	$104,000,000
Of call loans immediately available	134,000,000
Of gilt-edged, short-dated, and other readily realizable securities	140,000,000
Of other liquid assets	72,000,000

Or a total of 66 per cent of all our liabilities to the public in cash or in form readily convertible into cash.

Our deposits non-interest bearing in Canada as at 31st October were $152,500,000. This figure is lower by $28,600,000 than a year ago, at which date certain of our important customers had accumulated large sums for pending commitments.

Our deposits bearing interest, which for the most part represent individual savings, have increased $16,100,000 to $471,800,000. I am glad to report that, quite apart from the Molsons Bank acquisition, this department of our business continues to enjoy a natural, healthy growth, reflecting the confidence which your Bank enjoys on the part of the general public.

Our notes in circulation at $46,000,000 are about $7,000,000 higher than a year ago. This increase is partly due to the acquisition of the Molsons Bank and to the larger crop.

Our call loans in Canada and abroad stand at $134,000,000, an increase of $16,000,000 as compared with a year ago.

Our commercial loans in Canada are $10,700,000 higher than at 31st October, 1924, but in this we must take into consideration that with the Molsons Bank we acquired about $32,000,000 of current loans and discounts. Loans of this class for all Canadian banks are $53,000,000 lower than a year ago.

Our current loans abroad are $28,800,000, and loans to municipalities in Canada $15,300,000.

Our purchase of the Molsons Bank brought about an increase in bank premises account from $9,800,000 to $12,650,000, since reduced by $500,000.

Canada now has one branch bank for every 2,200 people, as compared with one bank for every 3,700 persons in the United States and for every 3,000 persons in Australia. The Canadian town is indeed small that has not at least three branch banks in direct competition.

The service which the public receives from its bankers includes much beyond the mere lending of money, and competition has resulted in many of these extra facilities being extended below cost. This is a feature of the banking business which is not confined to our own country.

Our offices abroad and in the United States continue to progress satisfactorily.

In London throughout the year the short loan and discount markets have been under the influence of extraneous circumstances, which have made the trend difficult to forecast. Rates, however, have been fairly remunerative, in spite of the fact that the Bank of England rate was reduced by stages from 6 per cent to 4 per cent, and the substantial reserves we maintain in London have been employed with satisfactory profit. Last week the Bank rate was returned to 5 per cent.

Now that the dollar-sterling exchange is stable around the gold point, one impediment to the issue of Canadian securities in London has been removed, and we are that much nearer the time when our London office can again engage in what in the past has been an important feature of its activities. The embargo against foreign and colonial loans was recently lifted, and issues of loans will be governed now by the law of supply and demand. At present sound Canadian securities can be placed on this side of the Atlantic on a basis very favorable to the borrower, but the time will surely come when London will again be resorted to for loans.

Our London West End Branch and the Bank of Montreal (France), Paris, continue to perform successfully the functions for which they were originated, and provide a great convenience for the traveling public.

In New York, the importance of our business grows apace. We are suitably represented in Chicago and San Francisco, and in Mexico we have five branches, all transacting a satisfactory business upon conservative lines.

Exchange between Canada and New York during the year has been steady at close to par. It is satisfactory to those interested in our import trade and to those having regular interest commitments in New York that the buying rate of exchange has become normal. The exporter has lost an advantage, but the return to par is, of course, better for the country as a whole, and equalization of the Canadian with the American dollar is a source of general satisfaction.

In the United States, a broadening improvement has taken place in business in the past year, and greater confidence in underlying conditions has been reflected in soaring security markets and inarassed bank clearings. Credit resources have not been overtaxed, and a somewhat higher call money rate has ruled without strain on supply. The average rate for call money for the year was 3.82, as against 3.40 for the previous year.

Reverting to the general situation in Canada, during recent months conflicting statements have been published broadcast, ranging from rose color to black, respecting our business conditions and outlook, and in particular there has been much complaint because we are not now so prosperous as the United States. In consequence, the Canadian public, and those outside, but interested in Canada, may well have felt confused and uneasy.

Briefly, we find the facts to be as follows: Our foreign trade figures are readily available. We know that our exports exceed our imports for the year under review by $333,000,000, which is satisfactory.

Turning to our internal trade, we know from experience that it has not been generally satisfactory, though the official aggregate figures are never obtainable for two years or more.

An outstanding and gratifying exception is the grain-growing industry of our splendid West, which this season produced over 400,000,000 bushels of wheat, as compared with 235,000,000 bushels a year ago. Oats, barley and coarse grains also were a larger crop.

Bank clearings for all Canadian cities during our bank year show a decrease of $850,000,000 from the figures for the previous twelve months. Bank amalgamations have naturally reduced the volume of clearings from time to time, and a more accurate indicator of business has been devised by compiling the volume of debits to individual banking accounts throughout the country month by month. These figures, I am glad to say, have indicated latterly a more active state of business.

Bank deposits in Canada are higher by $184,000,000 than a year ago, while commercial enterprises are borrowing $53,000,000 less.

This increase in deposits is a good sign up to a certain point, but if that portion of the increase which represents idle funds of industrial concerns on deposit with the banks were being actively employed by these concerns in their business, the country, as well as the banks, would in the end be better off. The increase in the Savings Department, which consists in the main of small accounts, is a healthy and encouraging sign.

Commercial failures for the twelve months ended 30th September were:

	Failures	Liabilities
For the previous twelve months	2,313	$46,700,000
	2,488	$69,800,000

Railroad earnings afford an intelligent measure of a country's internal trade. The gross earnings of our Canadian roads for the past three years ending 30th September have been:

1923	$442,000,000
1924	440,000,000
1925	410,000,000

Pulp and paper production and shipments are ahead of last year. Our exports under this heading have reached the large sum of $160,000,000 per annum, as compared with $30,000,000 ten years ago. At present there is said to be a tendency to overproduction in the newsprint trade.

In the recent development of Canada a most important feature has been the steadily growth of the mineral industry. In 1913 the value of the products of mines and quarries amounted to $146,000,000, while in 1924 it reached $210,000,000.

Statistics for the first six months of 1925, as compared with similar figures for the corresponding period of 1924, indicate a further material advance in the wealth derived from the production of metallic minerals, and, with a return to more normal conditions in the coal fields, the production of non-metallic minerals will also advance.

The fishing industry on both the Atlantic and Pacific seaboards has had a better year.

Lumbering results have been unsatisfactory. European and Oriental export business has fallen away, and the American and domestic markets have bought less.

In the manufacturing trades the general policy has been one of marking time. Textiles have recovered from lack of demand and relatively low prices. Iron and steel plants on the whole have been intermittently idle and active, with unsatisfactory results. Woolen, leather, and the boot and shoe industries have had an unsatisfactory year. The output of automobiles has been steadily on the increase. Wholesale dealers in dry goods, groceries and hardware complain of lack of turnover and inadequate profits.

You will find in our published reports our views in detail regarding trade in our nine Provinces.

You will gather from the foregoing that conditions in the year under review were neither so good nor so bad as to determine on either alarm or elation. As to the outlook, it is true that, taking the national railways into account, we are not balancing our national budget. This must not continue. We must sometime and somehow contrive to live within our means and begin to pay off our debts. With good management of our affairs we should be well able to do this, and we will do it as soon as our people wake up to the fact that public debt is a burden on the individual back and that the bigger it gets the more money it takes out of the individual pocket.

To this end I venture to repeat here what I have said before, that the systematic publication by the Dominion Government of concise and readily understood figures embracing all the national liabilities would stimulate a healthy public interest in this matter.

The awakening process is disappointingly slow, perhaps because, instead of living alongside other nations hard hit by the war, we have as our only neighbor the nation that grew rich out of the war. I mean no disrespect to the United States, for there is no other foreign nation we would prefer as a neighbor, but had we been living amongst the war-impoverished countries of Europe, there would have been no such marked contrast, and we would doubtless have more quickly realized our own economic condition.

Before the war, conditions of living in the United States and Canada were much alike, and we had grown accustomed to that order of things; but the war put us behind and put the United States ahead, so comparison at present is futile.

This same condition of prosperity in the United States has also resulted in far too many of our people crossing the border. True, Canada is not the only country whose citizens are attracted by the prosperity of the United States, but, speaking for ourselves, there has been a cause for emigration that is more disturbing than the fact itself. Living next door, we naturally stand in closest comparison, and are more exposed than any other country to a drain on our population from the fact that at the moment we are carrying a heavy burden of debt, while our neighbors overflow with wealth. Against this, however, we have more than they to offer to the desirable settler who wishes to go on the land. Land hunger is a human instinct. We have good and cheap land in plenty, and eventually the tide of immigration will turn in our direction.

We have a fertile soil, vast mineral resources, inexhaustible fisheries, mighty forests, unequalled water power, transportation galore, and an industrious people—in fact, all that goes to make a great and strong nation—but prudent management of our affairs is fundamental. Without that all our manifold advantages mean nothing.

We should ever keep before us the fact that Canada has immense potentialities, and that the mistakes of the past are reparable. Also, we have a splendid manhood east and west, with a loyal love of country and a unanimous determination to preserve our political independence.

The Chairman then invited discussion, but there being none, he moved, seconded by Sir Charles Gordon, G.B.E., that the Report of the Directors, now read, be adopted and printed for distribution among the Shareholders.

The report was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Wm. McMaster moved, seconded by Mr. John Patterson, that Messrs. James Hutchison, C.A., and George C. McDonald, C.A., be appointed auditors for the bank for the ensuing year, and that the ballot for the auditors be taken at the same time as the ballot for directors is taken.

THANKS TO OFFICERS

Mr. Zephirin Hebert then moved, seconded by Mr. George Caverhill, that the thanks of the meeting are hereby tendered to the President, the Vice-President, and Directors, for their attention to the interests of the Bank.

In speaking to this resolution, Mr. Hebert said: "It gives me great pleasure and honor to have the opportunity of moving a vote of thanks to the President, Vice-President and Directors of the Bank of Montreal. Since the Bank has been founded it has presented statements that have shown strength, power and prudent administration, and this is due to the selection of directors, they having always been outstanding men who have commanded public confidence.

"The Bank is a national institution. Its characteristics are on a very high plane, and its resources are colossal. It has never refrained from any of the duties required of it, and it therefore stands out prominently, not only in this country, but also throughout the world. The Directors maintain the great honor, traditions and high standards of the Bank with which they are affiliated."

Mr. Hebert then moved the vote of thanks, as above.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

The Chairman—"On behalf of my colleagues and myself, I am deeply indebted to you for this proof of your confidence in us and our administration of the affairs which you have the honor to serve. I may add that it is a matter of regret that Mr. C. B. Hosmer, our senior director, is absent from this meeting owing to a severe illness, from which it is our hope he will soon recover."

Major-General the Hon. S. C. Mewburn then moved, seconded by the Hon. Sir Lomer Gouin, that the thanks of the meeting are hereby tendered to the General Manager, the Assistant General Managers, the Superintendents, the Managers and other Officers of the Bank, for their services during the past year.

In speaking to this resolution, Major-General Mewburn said:

"It seems to me that we should be filled with pride for the great achievements and accomplishments this Bank has made for the many years gone by, and, having that in mind, we should be mindful of the great services rendered to the Shareholders, and all interested in the Bank, by the General Manager and his worthy staff.

"When you consider this Bank having some 616 branches, employing within the various departments of the Bank, either at Head Office or throughout the branches, some 6,141 men and women, it cannot but impress one of the magnitude of the undertaking. Upon the Assistant General Managers, and their very efficient superintendents in charge of districts and divisions, the wonderful inspection staff, the managers throughout Canada, and upon the rank and file, rests a great work. The General Manager must be proud of the staff which is so faithful and zealous in discharge of their duty, and of the esprit de corps which exists in the Bank of Montreal."

The motion was carried, with applause.

In replying to this, the General Manager, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, said:

"I have to thank you for the considerate and highly complimentary terms with which you have referred to our staff's services during the past year. It has taken time to absorb into our system the employees of acquired banking institutions, but this gradual process of assimilation has developed into an entirely satisfactory whole, and I have no hesitation in stating that, all in all, we have not only a first-class staff, well organized, but as fine a body of loyal, devoted and efficient men and women as any important business concern in this or in any other country."

The Ballot for the appointment of Auditors and the election of Directors for the ensuing year was then proceeded with.

The Scrutineers appointed for the purpose reported that Messrs. James Hutchison, C.A., and George G. McDonald, C.A., were duly appointed Auditors, and the following gentlemen duly elected Directors:

Thomas Ahearn, D. Forbes Angus, E. W. Beatty, K.C.; His Honor Henry Cockshutt, General Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.; H. R. Drummond, G. B. Fraser, Sir Charles Gordon, G.B.E., Sir Lomer Gouin, K.C.M.G., C. B. Hosmer, Harold Kennedy, J. W. McConnell, William McMaster, F. E. Meredith, K.C.; Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart.; Maj.-Gen. the Hon. S. C. Mewburn, C.M.G.; F. W. Molson, Lieut.-Col. Herbert Molson, C.M.G., M.C., James Stewart.

The meeting then terminated.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., was re-elected President, and Sir Charles Gordon, G.B.E., was re-elected Vice-President.

French and Russians to Meet

PARIS, Dec. 15—French and Russian delegations will soon meet in Paris to resume negotiations for settlement of the Russian debt to France, it was announced today.

Many Canadians Will Mourn His Death



MR. J. W. C. FEGAN

The Great English philanthropist and founder of Mr. Fegan's Homes (Inc.) for boys in England and Canada, who died at the Canada training farms, Goudhurst, Kent, England. His death will be mourned by thousands of Canadians who were former wards of his homes in England, and who were given their start in life in Canada by Mr. Fegan.

Sheriff Sheds No New Light

Pacific Coast Coal Company's Affairs Still Surrounded With Mystery

The examination of Mr. C. Trawford, Sheriff of Nanaimo, B.C., on Monday, failed to shed any new light on the affairs of the West Coast Collieries or the issues at stake in the trial which is coming on at the instance of Mr. John Arbuthnot, who seeks to make Mr. C. P. Hill personally responsible for a large sum connected with the Pacific Coast Coal Company's affairs.

The examination of the sheriff was undertaken in the hope that some solution might be found as to what was done with the money derived at the sale of the assets of the Pacific Coast Coal Company in 1921 and that thereby might be found some course to pursue with respect to the caveat placed in the land registry office against the West Coast Colliers. When Mr. J. R. Green came before Mr. Justice D. A. McDonald yesterday morning to urge the removal of the caveat the situation was explained. Mr. W. J. Taylor, K.C., said that the examination of Sheriff Trawford had got them nowhere.

Advent of More Counsel

The proceedings were made more interesting by the advent of new counsel concerned in the matter. Mr. R. F. Stockton, of Vancouver, announced that he appeared for the West Coast Collieries.

"I am glad to hear from you," said the court. His Lordship added that he thought that Mr. Green was appearing for that company.

A decision was reached that the whole matter should be gone into and it then became a question of when the necessary documents could be filed to permit of this action. His Lordship said he did not want to force the hand of Mr. Stockton as representing the owners of the property.

Caveat Still Stands

Mr. Stockton was anxious not to delay matters. He had, however, to get definite instructions in the matter from his clients. He asked that Mr. J. K. Macrae, representing Mr. Walter Hodges, the assignee under the Pacific Coal Company, should produce his statement of claim. He had had lots of time and should not delay in the matter.

Mr. Macrae, who was in court, asked for ten days time.

The court wished to avoid any more delay than possible and after some discussion it was arranged that everything should be done to get the papers ready so that the matter might be gone into on its merits. In the meantime the motion of Mr. Green to lift the caveat stands and will be disposed of when the whole question is up.

Mexico Makes Steady Advance

Young Business Man From Capital of Disturbed Country Says Pacification Proceeding

Mexico is showing a great change from the disorders of the last fifteen years, and is assuming a condition of normal development, according to Mr. Charles V. Creighton, who is registered at the Dominion Hotel.

Mr. Creighton is now able to make the all-rail journey from San Francisco to Mexico City, by way of El Paso, Texas, in four and a half days. While that necessitates using the eastern route, he referred to the great project proceading to link up the cities to the East of the Sierras with those on the Pacific side, which entails the crossing by the Southern Pacific Railway of the mountains through a number of tunnels, and large bridges over rivers. Only 100 miles in the Tepic District remain to be constructed, that, however, including some of the most difficult construction in the whole world. When that loop is completed it will be possible to proceed by rail through California and Mexico right along the Pacific seaboard, and then cross the mountains to the capital.

He says the laboring class in Mexico, for the first time in its history, is beginning to make itself felt as a factor in the life of the community. The work of pacification, after so much unrest since the death of Madero, is now going on apace, Mr. Creighton declares. Commercial activities are conducted without obstacle, and foreigners are able to carry on their affairs unmolested.

The visitor is acquainted with Mr. Thomas Gore, member of a well-known Victoria family, who has done well in his chosen profession of an architect in Mexico City. Mr. Gore, who is the designer of many of the larger commercial blocks in the capitol, was a visitor here some months ago with his wife and daughter.

Mr. Creighton indicates, however, that the British colony in Mexico City is not as large as that of some of the nationalities, notably Spanish and American.

Vernon Fruit Case in Court

Dispute Between Coldstream Ranch and Selling Agents on Deductions Made

The trial of an action brought by Hon. Katherine Macdonald-Buchanan against the Vernon Grower's Union is in progress before Mr. Justice D. A. McDonald in the Supreme Court. The case is one in which the plaintiff, the owner of the Coldstream Ranch, near Vernon, seeks from the defendant organization a sum amounting to about $2,000, which, it is alleged, was deducted from the amounts due to the plaintiff for fruits and vegetables furnished and sold. The deductions claimed are held to have been made without proper authority by the Union.

One of these deductions is for $575, which, it is claimed, was made for the purpose of paying off a mortgage which the plaintiff contends, the Union was not competent to do. Another part of the sum claimed is held to have been unauthorised, being an amount that was intended for the creation of a contingency fund.

The plaintiff is represented by Mr. Lindley Crease, K.C., while the defendant organization is represented by Mr. H. B. Robertson, K.C., and Mr. H. C. DeBeck, of Vernon.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. F. E. R. Wollaston, manager of the Coldstream Ranch, was in the witness box giving the details of the transactions upon which the claims are based. The afternoon was taken up with the evidence of Mr. Harry Slater, secretary-treasurer of the Union, who was presenting the reasons and authorities for the deductions.

The argument as to whether the authority is given for the making of the deductions will take considerable time following the conclusion of the evidence today.

Minister Stands Up for Migration

Believes Vote of $10,000 Is Spent to Advantage of Province—Mr. Neelands Critical

Strong objection was taken by Mr. R. H. Neelands, Labor member for South Vancouver, to the passing of a vote of $10,000 for "Immigration" in the Department of Lands estimates in the Legislature on Monday night. He declared that the vote was not necessary, nor was the Government consistent. The Department of Labor, through the Employment Bureau, was warning workers to stay away from British Columbia, while the Lands Department was spending money to bring them here.

The Government should be consistent, declared Mr. Neelands. Labor was convinced that there was no need for the vote. If condiitons were right in the Province there would be no need to advertise for people, they would come of their own accord.

Hon. T. D. Pattullo: "I believe that the more people that come the greater are the opportunities for all."

Continuing, he said, that of the sum voted last session $6,000 was given to the Salvation Army for their services and to assist in bringing out immigrants, while some money had also been used in connection with the immigration of Hebrideans. This latter expenditure would not be reincurred. The Salvation Army had assisted boys to come out from the Old Country and had also aided farm workers and the families of some persons already in this country.

Mr. Tom Uphill, Fernie: "Have you ascertained how many of them are on the bread line now?"

Hon. Mr. Pattullo: "Last year I had my secretary interview a number of them and they were all contented and happy. There have not been any complaints from any of them."

Major R. J. Burde: "Why this immigration? Is it to put men on the land, or to compete with the $2.40 or $2.80 a day men in some of the lumber camps?"

Hon. Mr. Pattullo: "I have every sympathy with those men who are only receiving $2.40 a day. I don't see how they live. But I contend that the more people brought in the greater are the opportunities."

Major Burde: "Did the Minister ever think of going into Vancouver and recruiting some of the unemployed men there for the farms; of giving them a chance of getting out and making a living? Some of this money could be used to advantage in Vancouver."

Hon. Mr. Pattullo: "Those who have been in this country for some time, I think, if they are self-respecting, can get out and rustle for jobs. I can not understand a big healthy man not doing so."

After some further discussion the vote was passed with Mr. Neelands asking that his vote in the negative be recorded.

Milk Prices Advance

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—Milk prices advanced in Vancouver today. The price of milk delivered is nine quarts for $1 instead of ten quarts. In retail stores the new scale will be 8 cents per pint and 12 cents per quart. Shortage of feed is said to be responsible for the increased prices.

Her Liver Was Bad And She Felt Tired and Depressed

Mrs. M. Siefert, Grosswerder, Sask., writes:—"I was greatly disturbed with pains in my liver, and felt tired and depressed most of the time. One day I read about

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LAXA-LIVER PILLS

and the next time I went to town I bought four vials of them.

I have used them regularly, and after two months' use I feel like an entirely different woman.

Now, I always recommend them to any of my friends who are troubled as I was."

There's only one "Laxa-Liver Pill", and that's the one put up, for the past 32 years, by T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

Finance and Commerce

Uneven Price Changes Mark Stock Trading

Rails Jump Forward as Motors Lag—Twenty Railroad Issues Reach Highest Levels of Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Uneven price changes characterized today's stock market which was featured by the renewal of activity and strength in the railroad shares and the weakness of the motors and a few industrial specialties.

Strength of the railroad shares, twenty of which attained their highest prices in a year, or longer, indicated the appearance of a strong investment demand.

Illinois Central soared more than 6 points to a new peak at 124 7-8, closing just below the top, and the preferred showed a net gain of 5 3-4 at 124 1-2.

Oils Brisk

Oil shares took on a new lease of life in the late trading.

Liquidation of the motors was due in part to the switching of speculative accounts into other stocks on the theory that most of the motors had discounted all the "good news" in sight. Chrysler broke over 9 points to 203 3-4 and then rallied to 206 1-2. Hudson showed a net loss of 3 points at 101 1-4.

U.S. Steel common closed fractionally higher at 135 1-2.

Call Money Steady

Call money held steady at 5 per cent all day. Time money rates were unchanged at 4 7-8 to 5 per cent, but there were fewer offerings at the lower rate. Prime commercial paper ruled at 4 1-4 per cent.

Weakness of French bonds, which were heavily liquidated upon the resignation of Finance Minister Loucheur today, contrasted with the upward movement of domestic issues.

A slightly firmer market for time money failed to impede constructive operations, which were carried out with conspicuous success in the railroad group following a rise in the carrier stocks.

(All Fractions in Eighths)

	High	Low	Close
Allis Chalmers	96-5	94-0	95-5
Allied Chem.	115-5	114-0	115-4
Am. Beet Sugar	32-5	32-0	32-6
Am. Bosch Mag.	32-0	32-1	32-1
Am. Can.	274-2	260-4	261-0
Am. Car & Fdy.	111-0	111-6	111-6
Am. Hide & L.	13-5	13-0	13-0
Am. Hide & L. pfd.	62	62	62
Am. Intl. Corp.	44-1	43-3	44-1
Am. Linseed	66-3	66-3	66-3
Am. Locomotive	130-3	130	130
Am. Smelters	164	132-0	163-6
Am. Steel Fdy.	43-0	42-6	43-5
Am. Sugar	76	76	76
Am. Sum. Tob.	11-3	11-3	11-3
Am. Tel. & Tel.	145	145	145
Am. Tobacco	115-6	116-4	115-5
Am. Tobacco B	114-7	113-5	114-6
Am. Woolens	43-7	42-4	42-4
Anaconda	51	50-4	50-5
Assoc. Dry Goods	44-4	44	44-4
Atlantic Gulf	62-1	62-1	62-1
Atchison	130-5	126	130-6
Baldwin Loco.	121-7	120-0	120-1
Baltimore & Ohio	92-7	91-1	92-2
Bethlehem Steel	49-2	48-0	48-5
Brooklyn Manhat.	59-3	59-3	59-2
California Packing	136	136	132
California Pete	31-4	31	31
Can. Pacific	146	145-5	146-7
Central Leather	19-1	19-1	19-2
Cerro De Pasco	62-4	62-4	62-1
Chandler	40-4	45-6	45-0
Chesapeake & Ohio	120-6	126	128-2
Chi. Gt. Western	11-4	11-4	11-4
Chi., Mil. & St. P.	10	3-6	10
C. M. & St. P. pfd.	10-7	13-7	19-7
Chi. & Northwest.	77-6	70-2	77-4
Chi., R. I. & Pac.	54	52-4	53-2
Chrysler Motor	210	206-6	208-1
Coca Cola	148	147-4	147-4
Col. Fuel & Iron	30	30	30
Columbia Gas	82	89-3	86
Cons. Gas	90-0	94-5	92-4
Cont. Can.	87-4	87-1	87-1
Cont. Oil	25-5	25-5	25-6
Cont. Motor	12-4	12-3	12-2
Corn Products	39-7	39	39-1
Cosden Oil	35-0	34-4	35-4
Crucible Steel	82-6	82-4	82-4
Cuba Am. Sugar	26-2	25-2	25-2
Davison Chem.	42-4	42-5	42-7
Del. Lack. & West.	141	141	141
Dodge Bros.	42-4	41-0	41-7
Dodge Bros. pfd.	87-0	87-5	87-5
Dupont Powder	230	227	227
Elec. Power	31-5	30-6	31-3
Endicott Johnson	70-4	70-4	70-4
Erie	36-5	38-4	38-4
Erie First pfd.	45	44-7	44-7
Famous Players	108-3	107-6	107-4
Engineer	..	16	13
Fisher Body	38-6	37-4	37-4
General Asphalt	68-4	66-4	68
General Cigar	106-4	106-4	106-4
Gen. Electric	300-0	324	324
Gen. Motors	118-3	114-6	114-7
Goodrich Rubber	64-0	63-4	63-4
Granby	21-2	20-4	20-4
Great North. Ore.	26-6	26-6	26-6
Great North. pfd.	80-4	79-6	80-1
Gt. West. Sug., ex div.	36-2	36	38-2
Gulf States Steel	94-0	96-1	93-7
Houston Oil	70-4	70-4	70-4
Illinois Central	124-5	120	124-0
Imperial Oil	38-7	38-0	38-6
Inspiration	26-5	26-0	26-6
Intl. Bus. Machine	176-4	176-4	173-4
Intl. Comb. Eng.	55-0	54	56-4
Intl. Pete	33-0	33-0	33-0
Intl. Mer. Marine	11	10-4	11
Intl. Mer. Mar. pfd.	42-3	41-4	42-4
Intl. Nickel	46-2	46-6	46-1
Intl. Tel. & Tel.	116-4	116	113-2
Kan. City South.	46-5	49-0	40-2
Kennecott Copper	58-2	54-0	54-7
Keystone Tire	2	2	2
Lehigh Valley	86-2	84	86-2
Louisiana Oil	17-7	17-2	17-7
Louis. & Nash.	146-7	144-4	144-6
Mack Truck	213-4	212-4	211
Marland Oil	58-2	57-2	58-2
Mexican Seaboard	9-4	9-4	9-4
Miami	11-7	11-7	11-7
Miss. Pacific	41	40	41
Miss. Pacific pfd.	61	83-3	81
Montana Power	82	80	82
Montgomery Ward	64	61-1	64
Moon Motor	34-5	34-6	34-6
Motherlode	7-4	7-3	7-4
Motor Wheel	30-6	30-6	30-0
National Biscuit	71-4	71-4	71-4
Natl. Dairy Prod.	77	77	77
National Lead	164	163-5	163-4
Nevada Cons.	13-5	13-0	13-6
Norfolk & West	150-4	148	150-4
North American	66-6	65-7	66
Northern Pacific	74	73-1	73
N.Y. Central	130-2	128-0	130
N.Y., N.H. & Hart	45-7	46	45-7
N.Y., Ont. & West	20-3	28-4	29-2
Packard Motor	40-4	39-4	39-4
Pacific Oil	61-6	60-6	61-6
Pan American	76	74	76
Pan American "B"	76-3	76-0	76-6
Pennsylvania R.R.	54-7	53-4	54-7
People's Gas	118-2	116-2	118-6
Pere Marquette	84-3	84-3	84-2
Phil. Reading Coal	46-7	42-7	42-7
Phillips Pete	45-3	44-0	45-2
Pierce Arrow	26-6	25-6	26-5
Prod. & Ref.	15-4	15-4	15-4
Pullman Co.	163-6	156	163-6
Pure Oil	30	29-3	29-6
Radio	44-4	42-4	43-4
Rail. Steel Spring	170	170	170
Ray Cons.	13-4	12-4	13-4
Reading	88-1	87-4	88
Replogle Steel	16-1	15	16
Rep. Iron & Steel	61	60-1	60-1
Royal Dutch	54-5	54-4	54-0
Savage Arms	30-3	30-0	30-5
Schulte	130-7	130-0	130-7
Sears Roebuck	229-0	226-6	229-5
Shell Union	26-5	25-5	26-0
Simms Pete	26-1	22-7	23-1
Sinclair Cons.	21	20-5	20-5
Sloss Sheffield	166	165	166
Southern Pac.	101-6	100-1	101-6
Southern Railway	117-6	116-4	117-6
Standard Gas	67-4	67	67-4
Standard Oil, Cal.	56	56	56
Standard Oil, N.J.	46	46	46
Standard Oil, Ind.	66-1	65-1	66-1
Stewart Warner	90-0	89-3	90-4
St. Louis & S. Fran.	96-4	96	96-1
Stromberg Carb.	79-7	73-7	79-7
Studebaker	56-5	56-3	56-3
Tennessee Copper	14-6	14-6	14-4
Texas Co.	52-4	56-1	52-4
Texas Gulf Sulphur	110	118-3	110-5
Texas Pacific R.R.	56-3	54-7	56
Texas Pac. C. & O.	15-3	15-3	15-3
Timken Roller	56-3	56	56
Tobacco Prod.	35-3	34-3	35-3
Tobacco Prod. "A"	107	107	107
Transcont. Oil	4-3	4-3	4-3
Union Pacific	105-4	148-7	150
United Fruit	226-6	220-3	228-3
U.S. Cast I. Pipe	205-2	201	201-4
U.S. Ind. Alco.	74-2	74-3	74-3
U.S. Rubber	84-7	82-5	84
U.S. Steel	135-4	134-4	135-4
Universal Pipe	38-3	37-4	38-3
Utah Copper	104	104	104
Vanadium	32-0	32-4	32-0
Wabash	73-0	73-0	72-5
Western Union	136-7	136	146
Western Pacific	38-5	37-3	38-5
Westing. Elec.	75-4	74-3	74-3
White Motor	82-3	81-0	82-4
Willys-Overland	27-2	26-7	26-7
Willys-Overland pfd.	122-4	122-4	122-4
Woolworth	200-5	180-0	189-3
Worth. Pump	48-4	46-4	46-4
Ygston Sh. & Tu.	28-4	26-3	28-3

Many Turkeys Are Shipped South to N. Pacific Points

A LARGE consignment of turkeys for the forthcoming Christmas market was shipped yesterday, to go forward to points in Washington and Oregon, as far south as Roseburg, Oregon. Prices will range around forty-seven to forty-eight cents per pound.

Vancouver Stock Exchange

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—Today's quotations on the Vancouver Stock Exchange were:

	Bid	Asked
B.C. Silver	1.67	1.80
Bayview	..	.10
Bowena Copper	..	.05
Cork Province	..	.05
Glacier	.02½	.10
Dunwell	1.37	1.40
Douglas Channel	..	.01
Granby	20.50	..
Gladstone	.34	.36½
Hazelton Gold Cobalt	..	.01¾
Independence	..	.10
Indian Mines	.05½	.08
International Coal	.11¾	.16
L. & L.	.11¾	.16
Lucky Jim	.13½	.14
Marmot Metals	..	.10
McGillivray Coal	.04	..
Nat. Silver	.10	.16
Premier	2.24	2.28
Porter-Idaho	.09	..
Silver Crest Mines	.09¼	.10
Selkirks	.02½	..
Surf Inlet Gold	.09½	.12
Victoria	.08	..
Howe Sound	22.00	30.00
Ruth Hope	.60	.26
Glasair	..	1.05
Kelley	1.80	1.81
Vipond	1.47	1.48
Nipissing	5.45	5.60
Hollinger	17.15	17.23
Teck Hughes	2.27	2.28
Athabasca Oil	..	.06
B.C. Montana	.00⅞	..
British Petroleum	.09⅜	.07½
Trojan	..	.04½
B.C. Perm. Loan	154.00	..
B.C. Tel., com.	130.00	142.00
Gregory Tire	..	1.00

Sales

Dec. 14, 2 p.m.—60,000 B.C. Montana, .00 7-16; 200 B.C. Silver, $1.60; 105 B.C. Silver, $1.65, 500 Gladstone, .36; 305 Gladstone, .62½; 1,000 International Coal, .12; 2,505 Lucky Jim, .16½; 1,000 Lucky Jim, .16½; 50 Premier, $6.27; 200 Premier, $6.27; 1,000 Silver Crest, .08½; 2,000 Silver Crest, .06¾; 1,000 Silver Crest, .08¾; 1,005 Silver Crest, .08¾; 1,000 Silver Crest, .08¾; 050 Silversmith, .38, 050 Surf Inlet, .10.

Dec. 15, 15 30 a.m.—15,550 B.C. Montana, .00½; 2,500 B.C. Montana, .50½; 0,000 B.C. Montana, .00 7-18, 20,000 B.C. Montana, .00 7-18 (5x8); 305 B.C. Silver, $1.67; 100 B.C. Silver, $1.57; 100 Dunwell, $1.37; 105 Dunwell, $1.38; 100 Dunwell, $1.36; 150 Dunwell, $1.38; 1,000 Independence, .50½; 1,000 Independence, .52½; 1,000 Lucky Jim, .13½; 500 Lucky Jim, .13¾; 1,000 Silver Crest, .00¼; 1,000 Silver Crest, .08¼; 1,000 Silver Crest, .50; 1,005 Silver Crest, .00¾; 600 Silver Crest, .08¾; 1,000 Silver Crest, .02¼; 1,005 Silver Crest, .00¾.

FOREIGN BONDS

(Supplied by R. P. Clark & Co., Ltd.)

	Mid	Asked
French 7's, 1942	86½	68⅝
French 7½'s, 1941	86	68⅝
French 8's 1945	101	101½
Austrian 7's, 1943	100	100½
German 7's, 1949	155⅝	100⅝

Consolidated Declares Usual Dividend, Bonus

MONTREAL, Dec. 15.—The directors of the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Corporation met here today and declared the regular half-yearly dividend of three per cent and a bonus of $5 a share.

Winnipeg Wheat Sees Upward Swing

Adverse News as to Argentina Crops Causes Substantial Advances in Prairie Prices

WINNIPEG, Dec. 15.—Confirmation of serious damage to the Argentina crop, contained in an official Government report, gave the wheat market here an upward swing today and a substantial advance was reported, ranging from 5⅛ cents to 5½ cents, December leading to close at $1.53½, after touching a high of $1.54¼.

The coarse grains recorded a strong session, more active trading and good gains, featured by an overnight jump of more than 5 cents for rye. Flax was active and 2 cents to 4 cents higher.

The local "bulls" took control of the wheat market early in the session and on the strength of the Argentina report and moderate offerings here forced prices rapidly.

"Shorts" covered extensively during the day. The wheat pool reported a large volume of overnight export sales.

There was slight activity in the cash market.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
Dec.	150	154¼	150	153½
May	154	158	154	157¼
July	103	155	152⅝	100½
Oats—				
Dec.	40¼	46⅝	45½	46½
May	50⅛	55⅝	55⅛	50⅝
July	51	51⅝	50⅝	61⅝a
Barley—				
Dec.	52½	53⅞	52	62½b
May	57⅝	67⅝	67½	67⅝b
Flax—				
Dec.	227¼	228⅝	227½	232⅝
May	227⅝	232⅝	230½	239
Rye—				
Dec.	..	..	..	98⅝
May	102½	105⅝	102½	105⅝

Cash Prices

Wheat—1 nor., 154; 2 nor., 150⅝; 3 nor., 145⅝; No. 4, 138½; No. 5, 130½; track, 153½.

Oats—2 cw., 48⅛; 3 cw., 43½; extra 1 feed, 43½; 1 feed, 41½; 2 feed, 37½; rejected, 35½; track, 43½.

Barley—3 cw., 62½; 4 cw., 57½; rejected, 53½, feed, 52½; track, 32½.

Flax—1 nwc., 228⅝; 3 cw., 224⅝; 3 cw., 214; rejected, 204; track, 228⅝.

Rye—2 cw., 99⅝.

NEW YORK CURB

3 O'CLOCK LIST

	Bid	Asked
Industrials		
Acme Coal	9	16
Centrifugal	27½	28
Checker Cab	10	14
Durant Del.	12⅝	13¼
Mesabi	1½	1¾
Stutz	27½	28
Reo	24½	24⅝
Tob. Prod. Ex.	5	5½
Un. Profit Shar.	13⅝	14
Un. Retail Candy	6⅜	6½
Cities Serv. com.	28	28⅝
Cities Serv. pfd.	84⅝	84⅞
Cities Serv. bkrs.	10	10½
Am. Gas El.	78	80½
Lehigh Pow. Secs.	185	120½
Natl. Paw. Lite	445	455
Oils		
Carib.	5⅝	5½
Glenrock	14	20
Intl. Pete	32½	32⅝
Marl. Mex.	3	3½
Mexico Oil	17	35
Cont'l Oil	24½	24½
Noble Oil	5	5⅝
Pennock Oil	22½	22⅝
Ryan Cons.	15½	17
Sapulpa	2	2
Salt Cr. Prod.	32⅝	34
Salt Cr. Cons.	6½	6⅝
Wilcox	26⅝	27
Cly	12⅝	13
Mu.	26⅝	28
Kpc.	3½	3⅝
Mines		
Ariz. Globe	15	12
Butte and W.	11	14
Cal. Jerome	10	17
Cons. Copr.	1½	2
Cresson	2⅝	2⅝
Delores	60	76
Eureka	7	8
Hecla	17½	18
Hollinger	17	17½
P. V. Devel.	50	54
Kerr Lake	1½	1½
Mason Valley	1⅝	1⅝
Nipissing	6½	6¼
Ohio Copper	75	77
Teck Hughes	2¼	2⅝
Un. Eastern	35	38
Un. Verde Ex.	26½	27½
Wayne Coal	10	46

VICTORIA EXCHANGE

Mining	Bid	Asked
B. C. Silver	1.87	..
Boundary Red Mountain	.15	..
Bowena Copper	..	.10
Cork Province	.05	..
Douglas Channel	..	.02
Dunwell Mines	1.30	1.42
Dunwell Mines, partly pd.	.80	.90
Glacier Creek	.07	.10
Gladstone	.33⅝	.32
Gleaner	..	.70
Granby	..	24.55
Howe Sound	33.00	..
Independence	.07	.13
Indian Mines	..	.08
International Coal	.11	.14
L. and L. Glacier	.15½	..
Lakeview	..	.35
Marmot Metals	..	.12
McGillivray Coal	..	.73
National Silver	..	.14
Phoenix	..	.20
Porter-Idaho	.08	.12
Premier Mines	2.26	2.06
Rufus	..	.12
Selkirks	..	.05
Silverado	.66	.60
Sheep Creek Cons.	..	.00⅝
Silver Crest Mines	.03½	.13
Silversmith	.36	.27
Standard Silver Lead	.24	..
Sunloch Mines	..	.30
Surf Inlet Gold	.08	..
Terminus	..	.25
Victoria	.20	.20
Oils		
British Petroleum	.05	.58
Spartan Oil	..	.00⅝
Sweetgrass	..	.00⅝
Trojan Oil	..	.05½
B.C. Montana	..	.05⅝
Miscellaneous		
Amal. Appliance	..	.50
Canada National Fire	..	30.00
Great West Perm. Loan	..	30.00
Gregory Tire & Rubber	..	3.05

Sales—1,005 Silver Crest, .08¼.

MONTREAL STOCKS

(All Fractions in Eighths)

	Close
Abitibi	75
Asbestos	35-3
Atlantic Sugar	32
Bell Telephone	141
Brazilian Trac.	52
Brompton Paper	38-2
Can. Cement com.	103-3
Can. Cement pfd.	115
Can. Car Fdy. com.	34
Can. Car Fdy. pfd.	74-3
Can. S.S. com.	11
Can. S.S. pfd.	05
Can. Cottons	110
Can. Converters	80
Cons. M. & S.	180-4
Dominion Bridge	86
Dominion Glass	31
Dominion Textile	84-0
Howard Smith	40
Lake of Woods Milling	176
Laurentide Co.	90-5
Mackay Co.	125
Montreal Power	216-4
National Breweries	60-3
Ogilvie Milling Co.	185
Ottawa Power	90
Penmans, Ltd.	156
Shawinigan	187
Spanish River Pulp	106-3
Spanish River Pulp pfd.	117-4
Steel of Canada	97
Twin City Elec.	74

STERLING EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Sterling exchange irregular at $4.80 1-4 for sixty-day bills and at $4.84 9-16 for demand.

Foreign bar silver, 88 3-8.
Canadian dollars, 3-64 discount.
France demand, 3.58 1-2c.
Lire demand, 4.03 1-2.

At Victoria

Sterling, buying, 4.82 1-3; selling, 4.85 1-8.

Wholesale Row

(Revised December 15, 1925)

Eggs		
Fresh Extras, doz.		.55
Fresh Firsts, doz.		.42
Pullets, Extras, doz.		.41
"Peewees," doz.		.37
Butter		
Best cartons		.46
Prints, No. 2		.40
Dairy solids		.34
Dairy Prints		.36
Cheese		
B.C. large, lb.		.26
B.C. twins, lb.		.26½
B.C. triplets, lb.		.26
Alberta solids, lb.		.25
Alberta Stiltons, lb.		.30
Ontario solids, lb., new, .33; matured		.62½
Ontario twins, lb., new, .34; matured		.32½
Ontario triplets, lb., new, 24½; matured		.73½
Ontario Stiltons, Sept. make, lb.		.62
Lard		
Pure Lard—Tierces basis, per lb.		.22
Compound—Tierces basis, per lb.		.17
Vegetables		
Beans, wax, per lb.		M.P.
Beans, green, per lb.		M.P.
Beets, per sack		1.76
Cucumber, hothouse, No. 2, per doz.		M.P.
Cabbage, local, per lb.		.02
Carrots, sack		1.25
Cauliflower, doz.	1.00 to	2.00
Celery, local doz.	.75 to	1.25
Lettuce, head, Cal., cts.		6.00
Onions, Okanagan, sack		1.00
Onions, Yakama Spanish, sack		2.00
Parsnips, per sack		2.25
Potatoes, sweet		.07
Potatoes, Mainland		3.00
Potatoes, dry belt, Gems per sack		3.00
Potatoes, dry belt, White, per sack		6.00
Tomatoes, hothouse—		
No. 1, per crt.		6.65
No. 2		5.50
No. 3		1.60
Turnips, new, per sack		1.35
Radishes, local, per doz.		M.P.
Green Peppers, lb.		.13
Fruits		
Strawberries		M.P.
Grapes, Malagas		3.50
Red Emperor		2.75
Cranberries		.23
Pineapples, fresh Cuban, crt.		M.P.
Arizona Grapefruit, Sunkist	1.75	6.35
Pomegranates, crt.		2.60
Apples—		
Delicious		3.75
Wagener		2.15
McIntosh Reds, Okanagan 2.35,	2.50	1.60
Jonathans	2.00	1.50
Winter Banana		1.75
Winesaps		1.66
Local Apples, crt.	.76	1.63
Bax Pears, fancy	2.50 to	1.76
Bananas, uncrated		.10
Bananas, crated		.50
Lemons, case	7.50	3.60
Valencia		M.P.
Oranges, Jap, per bundle		1.35
Cantaloupes, 45's to 68's		M.P.
Casabas		M.P.
Cocoanuts, doz.		1.65
Grapefruit, California, 3 for		.35
Lemons, doz.	.30, .40	.50
Oranges, new navels, doz.	.35 and	.35
Oranges, new Valencias, doz.	.30 to	.60
Oranges, Jap, per box		.75
Pomegranates, each		.10
Pineapple, fresh, each		.60
Raisins, Spanish Cluster, pkt.,	.50 and	.60
Raspberries, fresh, per box		.25
Rhubarb, per lb.		.20
Fish		
Bloaters, 2 lbs.		.25
Cod fillets, per lb.		.25
Halibut, per lb.		.30
Soles, lb.		.10
Black Cod, fresh, 2 lbs. for		.35
Skate, 3 lbs. for		.20
Cod, 2 lbs. for		.30
Kippers, per lb. .15; 2 lbs. for		.25
Finnan Haddies, per lb.		.30
Oysters —		
Esquimalt, doz.		.60
Olympia, per pint		.60
Herrings, per lb. .10, 3 lbs. for		.25
Smelts, per lb.		.20
Salmon		.30
Salmon, white		.26

MEAT

Beef, No. 1 Steers		.13½
Lamb		.30
Lard	.32	.34
Veal	.14	.17
Bacon	.40	.46
Mutton		.33
Hams	.30	.32
Chickens	.36	.37
Fowl	.25	.32
Pork		.13
Geese, fresh		.36
Turkey	.40	.45
Turkey, Alberta	.36	.42

SUGAR

B.C. Refinery—	
White, per hundred	6.26
Yellow, per hundred	5.73

FEED

	100 lbs.	Per Ton
Barley	$2.40	$46.00
Gr. Barley	2.40	48.00
Corn	2.60	54.00
Cracked Corn	2.80	56.00
Feed Cornmeal	2.90	56.50
Oats	2.20	46.50
Oats, ground	2.30	44.00
Scratch Feed	2.30	46.00
Poultry Mash	2.60	50.00
Marvel Egg Mash	2.75	52.50

FLOUR

	Per Sk 49 lbs
Snowflake	2.75
Purity	2.76
B. & K. Flour	2.76
Five Roses	2.76
Maple Leaf	2.76
Royal Standard	2.75
Royal Household	2.76
B. & K. Pastry	2.60
Whole Wheat	2.60

Retail Prices

(Revised December 16, 1925)

Eggs		
B.C. Fresh Extras		.60
B.C. Firsts		.55
Vegetables		
Artichokes, Globe, each		.36
Cauliflower	.30 and	.35
Cabbage, local, lb.		.03
Celery, local, head		.10
Cucumbers, fresh, each		.32
Grapes, Calif., per lb.		.16
Onions, pickling, 4 lbs. for		.26
Green Spring Onions, bunch		.06
Parsley, bunch		.09
Lettuce, Cal., fresh, per hd.		.16
Local Onions, 10 lbs. for		.36
Potatoes, 7 lbs. for		.28
Potatoes, local, per sack		3.00
Potatoes, Ashcroft, per sack		3.50
Potatoes, Netted Gems, per sack		3.60
Potatoes, sweet 2 lbs. for		.26
Spinach, local, 2 lbs. for		.26
Tomatoes, hothouse, per lb.		.60
Turnips, local, 10 lbs. for		.26
Watercress, per bunch		.05
Fruits		
Apples—		
Local, 4 lbs. for		.30
Jonathan, per box		3.75
McIntosh Red, per box		3.32
Delicious, per box		3.25
Bananas, doz.	.50 and	.60
Egg Plant, per lb.		.12½
Cranberries, per lb.		.25
Figs, Cal., layer, 6-oz. pkts.		.10
Per lb.		.26
Grapes, Red Emperor, per lb.		.15
Grapefruit, Ariz.	.10, .12½	.15
Florida Grapefruit, each	.16 to	.30

Winnipeg Grain Letter

(Supplied by R. P. Clark & Co., Ltd.)

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 15.—Wheat: The strong cables from Liverpool and the Argentine Government confirming rust damage in the provinces of Sante Fee and Cordoba gave our market a very strong tone today. Opening prices were from 2c to 3c higher, and on the extreme bulge during the last hour prices were more than 6c above the close Monday, but a little profit taking in the final moments eased things off slightly, and closing figures were 5½ to 5⅝ for the day. The bulls apparently had everything their own way, and forced shorts to cover, while offerings in the local pit were at no time liberal. Trade volume was not particularly large, but the buying was steady and largely short covering.

Export sales of Manitobas overnight were fully 2,000,000 bushels, but the business was largely worked by the wheat pool, as private exporters stated their overnight acceptances were only for small lots.

It would appear that the Argentine surplus will now probably be under 100,000,000 bushels, and with the damage already taken place in the northern provinces there can be no pressure from Argentine on the world's markets until late in February, and in the meantime Canada will be called upon to supply the bulk of European requirements which are likely to be fairly large, as world's shipments have been small and stocks, especially in markets of the United Kingdom, are extremely light. There was no feature to the local cash market. Shippers were taking odd cars of various grades to fill old commitments. There appeared to be lots of wheat available at quotations a fraction over the bid price, but apparently nobody wanted it. The undertone to wheat market is very strong and prices give evidence of working to higher levels for the immediate future. Believe wheat should be bought on all declines for quick profit.

Coarse grains: There was a fair volume of export buying of both oats and barley today, with prices of both commodities about three-quarters above the previous close. There was little doing in rye, but the market was strong, with prices following the trend of wheat.

Flax: Made substantial gains today in sympathy with the strength in other grains. Trade rather small, but little pressure in evidence even on the bulge of 2 3-4 to 4 for the December and May respectively.

VICTORY AND WAR LOANS

Interest due—	Will Buy	Will Sell
Victory Loan, 5½%—Tax Free		
1927, 1st June & Dec.	101.55	102.62
1933, 1st May & Nov.	105.05	106.05
1937, 1st June & Dec.	102.15	103.15
War Loan, 5%—Tax Free		
1925, 1st June & Dec.	Due	
1931 1st April & Oct.	101.66	102.86
1937, 1st Mar. & Sept.	102.70	104.70
(Payable New York)		
Victory Loan, 5½%		
1927, 1st May & Nov.	100.80	101.80
1926, 1st May & Nov.	102.66	103.65
1934, 1st May & Nov.	103.20	104.20
Dominion Loan		
1928, 15th April & Oct., 6%	100.02	101.05
1943, 15th April & Oct., 6%	101.02	102.02
1944, 16th April & Oct., 4½%	98.06	97.06
1934, 1st Feb. & Aug. (C.N.R.), 5%	102.25	

Add accrued interest to date—
1927, 1937, 14 days, $0.211 per $100.
1927, 1932, 1926, 1934, 44 days, $5.652 per $100.
1928, 1946, 51 days, $5.236 per $100.
1944, 51 days, $0.766 per $100.

Dow Jones' Averages

(Supplied by B.C. Bond Corpn., Ltd.)

Forty leading bonds 92.67; off .02.

Twenty industrial stocks 154.70; up .05.

Twenty active rails 110.29; new high, and up .61.

"If you would be successful, welcome criticism and accept advice, exercising your own judgment as to using it."

TODAY'S RADIO

Programme of Principal Western Broadcasting Stations

CFCT, Victoria, B.C. (329.5)—8 p.m., by courtesy of Rennie & Taylor, a band concert will be given from the Chamber of Commerce, music being supplied by the Victoria Moose Band.

KFI, Los Angeles, Cal. (467)—6:45 p.m., KFI radiotorial period; discussion of current topics, radio, invention, world news, educational progress, etc. 7 p.m., Nick Harris, famous detective author and lecturer; detective stories proving the folly of committing crime. 7:30 p.m., Wednesday night variety programme with KFI favorites. 8 p.m., weekly programme of the Ventura Refining Company, presenting the Ventura String Quartet and other radio favorites. 9 p.m., programme presented by L.A. Examiner; Wampus Club, featuring baby motion picture stars," E. C. Van Pelt, director, 10-11 p.m., an hour of dance music by the renowned Patrick-Marsh Orchestra, with Betty Patrick (no bigger than a minute) as soloist.

KGO, Oakland, Cal. (361)—11:30-1 p.m., luncheon concert, courtesy Pacific States Electric Company. 1:30 p.m., N.Y. and S.F. stock reports and weather. 3-4 p.m., Oakland High School Orchestra programme, directed by Ernest Paul Alwyn; also Edith Parks Cunningham, soprano, and speaker from Williams Institute, Berkeley. 4-5:30 p.m., concert orchestra of the Hotel St. Francis, San Francisco, Vinton La Ferrera conducting. 5:30 p.m., Mr. Fix-It. 6-7 p.m., dinner concert from Sherman, Clay & Co. studio, San Francisco. 7 p.m., news items, weather bureau report, N.Y. stock reports (closing), San Francisco stock reports (closing), San Francisco produce news. Silent night.

KGW, Portland, Ore. (492)—12:30-1:30 p.m., Rose City Trio, courtesy Pacific States Electric Company. 6-7 p.m., dinner concert. 7:30-7:45 p.m., weather, market and police reports, news items. 8-9 p.m., concert. 10-11 p.m., concert from Sherman, Clay & Co. studio.

KHJ, Los Angeles, Cal. (405)—1:30 p.m., Fred C. McNabb of Aggeler & Musser Seed Company, will talk. 2:30-3:30 p.m., matinee programme sponsored by the Pacific States Electric Company. 6:30-7:30 p.m., children's programme presenting Prof. Walter Sylvester Hertzog, radio historian; Dick Winslow, screen juvenile reporter. 8 p.m., Dr. Mars Baumgardt, lecturer. 8:30-10:30 p.m., programme throuht the courtesy of the Peerless Laundry. 10:30-11:30 p.m., Art Hickman's Biltmore Dance Orchestra; Earl Burtnett, directing.

KPO, San Francisco, Cal. (428)—6:40 p.m., Waldemar Lind and the States Restaurant Orchestra. 7-7:30 p.m., programme of the Atwater-Kent artists. 9-10 p.m., dance music by the Goodrich Silvertown Cord Orchestra. 10-11 p.m. Waldemar Lind and the States Restaurant orchestra.

KFOA, Seattle, Wash. (455)—12:30-1:30 p.m., the Seattle Rotary Club weekly luncheon programme by remote control from the Olympic Hotel. 4-5:15 p.m., The Times, Wm. F. Hoffman's Olympic Hotel Concert Orchestra. 6-6:45 p.m., the Pacific States Electric Company dinner hour concert, by the Hoffman Orchestra from the Olympic Hotel. 6:45-8:15 p.m., Hooper-Kelly Music Co. musical programme. 8:15 p.m., weather report. 8:30-10 p.m., The Times organ recital from Elk's Club.

KTCL, Seattle, Wash. (306)—9:30-9:45 a.m., U.S. weather report, stock and bond quotations. 9:45-10 a.m., Fraser-Paterson Department Store. Studio programme. 10-10:30 a.m., "Exercise Over the Air," by T. G. "Van" Cook. 10:15-10:30 a.m., daily recipes. Announcements from the Public Markets. 7:30-8:30 p.m., Eastern Outfitting Co., "Charmed Land Trio." 8:30-9:30 p.m., studio programme.

CFYC, Vancouver, B.C. (411)—11:30-1 p.m., Variety programme, Courtesy radio dealers. 7-7:30 p.m., news and market reports, Vancouver Sun.

Life Underwriters Here Make Growth In Membership

There are now thirty-eight members in the Victoria and Island Life Underwriters' Association, the members were told on Monday at the annual meeting at the Strathcona Hotel. This represents an increase of four members on 1924.

Mr. D. McL. Anderson, of the Mutual Life, Vancouver, was a guest of honor, and, as vice-president of the Vancouver association, gave a splendid address on the steps that are being taken by that association to eliminate the part-time life insurance agents of 10,000 or more population.

Mr. H. Despard Twigg, M.P.P., was also present, and gave a brief outline of the new amendments to the Act which is at present before the committee in the Provincial Legislature, preparatory to the third reading.

At the conclusion of the meeting, a presentation was made to Lieutenant-Colonel Lorne Ross, the local president, in recognition of the energy and hard work devoted by him during the last two years to the upbuilding of the local association.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

BIRTHS

JONES—To Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Jones, at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, December 16, a son.

AITKENS — Died in Vancouver, B.C., December 13, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Aitkens.

DEATHS

DEAR—On December 13, at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, Claud Dear, aged thirty-eight years; born in Nottingham, England, and a resident of this city for the past thirteen years; late residence, 1403 Finlayson Street. The late Mr. Dear is survived by his widow and two sons, Harold and Victor, at home; also relatives in England.

The funeral is under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Foresters, and the remains will be laid to rest at Ross Bay Cemetery.

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COMING EVENTS 1

AN old-time dance will be held in the Lake Hill Community Hall, Quadra St., Wednesday, Dec 13. Good music. Refreshments. Admission 50c.

A WHIST drive tonight (Wednesday), 8.30, 1230 Government Street. $3.00 highest score, other prizes, special, pair H.B. blankets. Admission 25c.

AFTERNOON court whist today, 2.30, 1230 Government Street. $3.00 highest score; other good prizes. Admission 25c.

CHASE away the blues at the Rex Theatre dance on Thursday, December 17, 9 to 12. Charlie Hunt's orchestra. Refreshments. Gentlemen, 50c, ladies, 25c.

DANCE, Victoria Club (Campbell Building), Friday, December 18, 9-1, auspices of A.Y.P.A. of Christ Church. Tickets 75c, including supper. Hunt's orchestra.

MILITARY 500 and dance. Four turkeys for first table, other good prizes. Conservative rooms, Campbell Building, Thursday, at 8.30. Findlier's three-piece orchestra. Everybody welcome. Only 25c.

MILITARY 500 and dance, Amputations Association of the Great War Club-rooms, Belmont Building, Wednesday, December 16, at 8.30 p.m. 14 scrip prizes. Admission 25c. Don't forget the turkey drive on Wednesday, 23rd. Tickets are now available at Fyvie Bros., 617 Government Street. 50c.

MILITARY 500 and dance, K. of P. Hall, North Park Street, Monday, Dec. 21. 15 prizes, turkeys and geese, and special. Proceeds for Christmas hampers for poor. Findlier's orchestra. Phone Mrs. Rendall 2605, or tickets at door. 30c. 8.30.

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MUNICIPAL Chapter, I.O.D.E. Shower for Soldiers' Christmas Hamper, Room 166, Hemley Building, open December 17 and 18, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., to receive donations of groceries or cash, when it is hoped every member of the Order will make a contribution to this worthy undertaking.

SOCIAL dance, under auspices of Boosters' Club, Veterans of France clubrooms, corner Douglas and Courtney Streets, Wednesday, December 16. Kick off at 9 o'clock, till 11.30. Good orchestra. Gents 50c, ladies free.

THE Hoot Owl Orchestra for house parties. Phone Owen Fowler, 5400, 1090R.

TURKEY shoot at Rithet's farm, Royal Oak, Wednesday, Dec. 16. 1 o'clock sharp. Bring rifles.

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WANTED—Capable woman for general housework and cooking for a few weeks. Apply Box 6724, Colonist.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE 4

ACCOUNTANT, bookkeeper, now disengaged, seeks position, city or anywhere on Island, highly recommended. Apply Box 6741, Colonist.

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SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE 5

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WANTED TO RENT—MISCELLANEOUS 12

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CHURN, 10 gal., foot and hand power, like new, bargain, $8.30. Island Exchange, 730 Fort Street.

COOK stove, Jewel, perfect condition, six holes, $30; small heater, with pipes, $3; smart dining-room heater, $16; clean Brussels carpet, 9x10½, good condition, $14.50, kitchen table, turned legs, 3.7x4.3, with white cloth, $3. Phone 3869L.

DARK grey baby carriage. Call at 851 Fort Street, between 10 and 2.

ELECTRIC washer, slightly used, $5 per month. 718 Yates.

ENAMELLED wall wash basin, in perfect order, a real snap, $12.30. Island Exchange, 730 Fort Street.

FOR Sale—Boy's tricycle, good as new; cost $20, will sell for $12. Phone 3003R.

FOR Sale—All kinds of building material of 7 houses on Quadra Street, between View and Yates or phone Geo. Dodd, 3577L.

FOR sale cheap, large porcelain bowls, about 25-gallon capacity, also one cast iron, same size, suitable for ranchers and farmers. Phone 6110R between 3 and 7 evenings.

"FIRE-LITE" wood heaters show real fire, give real heat. Jack's Stove Works Co., Johnson and Blanshard.

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GENTS' solid gold watch chains, $8; white gold wrist watches, $14.30; solid gold rings, $2.76; gold tie-pins, $1.73; solid gold bracelets, $7.30; radium dial wrist watches, $3; French pearl necklaces, $2.73 to $73. Diamond rings, late style setting, $35; silk fobs, $1.30; Waltham and Elgin watches, $13.50; 8-power prismatic glasses in leather cases, $27.30, boys' brass telescopes, $1.76; boys' 2-bladed knives, 35c; gold neck chains and pendants, $4.30; sterling silver emblems, all sizes, large assortment, your choice, 50c each. Jacob Aaronson, Watchmaker and Jeweler, 381 Johnson Street (4 doors below Government Street). Phone 735.

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WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS 14

ABSOLUTELY Best Prices Paid for GENTLEMEN'S DISCARDED CLOTHING
Antiques, Old Silver, Sheffield Plate
MRS. JOWITT, 821 Fort St. Phone 3184

A RED CROSS toilet in good condition, cheap. Box 6723, Colonist.

ABSOLUTELY HIGHEST PRICES PAID for rags, bottles, tools, stoves, furniture, or anything you wish to dispose of. We call anywhere, any time. Phone 6136.

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DON'T hesitate—Phone 3400 if you have any furniture you wish to dispose of. Our representative will call and offer current prices. Island Exchange, 739 Fort St.

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WILL pay one hundred dollars cash for piano or exchange expensive gramophone. Box 6306, Colonist.

ROOM AND BOARD 15

AT the Bungalow—Select private board and residence, well heated, home cooking. Near Crystal Garden. 641 Superior Street.

A SUNNY south room (fine bathroom adjoining) and board, in beautifully appointed private house. Every comfort and convenience, home cooking. Walking distance. Low Winter rates. Apply Box M. G., Colonist.

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AN ideal home—Tenjore Lodge, 816 Fairfield Road, steam heat. Phone 5086X.

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COMFORTABLE front room (open fireplace), with board, suit elderly gentleman or convalescent, in quiet home. 924 Collinson Street. Phone 981.

FIRST-CLASS room and board, reasonable, central, steam heat. Vernon House, 936 Humboldt.

NICE, comfortable room and board in quiet family, use of sitting-room, piano and phone. Phone 8391.

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RESIDENTIAL and transient; moderate; good board. 1322 Blanshard. Phone 1318O.

1050 SOUTHGATE — Select room and board. Close to car, city. Phone 3372L.

FURNISHED ROOMS WANTED 17

BUSINESS man wants furnished room, private family, no children; central. Box 4763, Colonist.

FURNISHED ROOMS TO RENT 18

AT 517 Government St.—Nicely furnished room with kitchenette. Phone 289Y.

BEDROOM, furnace and fireplace, near Fort and Yates, low rent. Phone 1081R.

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AT 835 Vancouver Street—Well furnished housekeeping rooms, also single room.

A FURNISHED housekeeping room, $3.25 week; gas and every convenience. 724 Humboldt.

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CLEAN furnished housekeeping rooms. A bargain, $7 per month and up. 1032 Hillside.

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FLATS AND APARTMENTS TO RENT 21

A WARM front bedroom, suit business woman; light housekeeping privileges, $3.30 per week. Private home beside Glenshiel Hotel. Phone 3079R.

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A FURNISHED apartment, bedroom, kitchen, Monarch range, gas, all new, $23. 1261 Pandora Ave. Phone 4708L.

AT Linden Apartments, 1100 May—Unfurnished suite, facing south; well heated, gas. 3066L.

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BELL Apartments, 1031 Cook Street—Furnished front suite for rent. Apply Suite 1.

BELWIL Apartments, cosy suites, heat and light furnished. Rates moderate. Corner Douglas and Burnside. Phone 3654O.

BELL Block, Oak Bay—Choice suites to rent, steam heated. Apply No. 1.

COSY furnished suites, well heated, quiet and central. 711 Pandora. Phone 5533O.

FIVE-ROOM apartment, close to James Bay Hotel, $22 month. Wise & Co., Ltd., 109 Pemberton Bldg.

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600 GORGE ROAD, 10 minutes from Hudson's Bay—Nicely furnished apartment, $15. Phone 1307R.

TO RENT—HOUSES 23

2100 Brighton, 7 rooms, 3 bedrooms	$40.00
316 Vancouver, 8 rooms, 4 bedrooms	33.00
1748 Fort, 12 rooms, 7 bedrooms	40.00
140 Moss, 7 rooms, 3 bedrooms	40.00
100 Joseph, 9 rooms, 3 bedrooms	37.00
2313 Government, 7 rooms, 3 bedrooms	35.00
630 Cornwall, 3 rooms, 2 bedrooms	35.00
3626 Government, 7 rooms, 3 bedrooms	37.00
2310 Trent, 3 rooms, 3 bedrooms	30.00
948 John, 5 rooms, 3 bedrooms	32.50
1637 Oak Bay Ave., 8 rooms, 4 bedrooms	27.30
1018 Bay, 6 rooms, 3 bedrooms	27.50
333 Menzies, 10 rooms, 3 bedrooms	32.50
928 Fisgard, 7 rooms, 3 bedrooms	15.00

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Lee Ave., 6 rooms, furnace	$35.00
Quebec St., 11 rooms, suitable for a rooming house	36.00
Battery St., 7 rooms	32.50
Gordon Head, V.I., 7 rooms and 2¾ acres of land	35.00
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Agents, 620 Broughton Street

TO RENT—HOUSES 23 (Continued)

COMFORTABLE 5-room bungalow, North Quadra district, good condition, ¼-acre grounds, $20. Splendid semi-bungalow, James Bay, open fire, furnace, good condition and location, $30. Seven-room house, close in, good condition, furnace, $26. Four-room cottage, modern, $13. Three-room cottage, $7. H. Amphlett, 312 Union Bank Bldg. Phone 3000.

BEAUTIFUL 6-room home on inland waters, well sheltered; in first-class condition, furnace, garage, sleeping porch, nice waterfront, garden, secluded, $35 per month. Victoria Realty Co., 310 View St. Phone 3036.

FAIRFIELD district, near Cook Street—Semi-bungalow, in first-class condition, inside and out, having sitting-room and dining-room en suite, both with fireplace; den or breakfast-room; kitchen and pass pantry, 3 bright bedrooms with clothes closets, and 3-piece bathroom, upstairs. Sleeping porch. Basement. Garage with cement driveway, will hold 2 cars. Rent $30 per month. Robert Grubb & Son, Mahon Building, 1112 Government Street.

FOR Rent—Well-built 7-room house on Prior Street (inside 1-mile circle), with cement basement, furnace, etc. Rent $20. Empire Realty Co., 341 Fort St.

FOR Rent—Six-room house, modern, $20. Apply to D. Fraser, Colonist Office.

FOR Rent or for Sale—Eight-roomed house, modern large basement, garage, fruit trees and garden; lot 30x200; within 1½-mile circle. Can be handled with small payment down; balance easy. Apply owner, 1762 Denman Street.

HILLSIDE Car Terminus—Modern five-room bungalow, vacant 15th; $20. R. G. Christy & Co., Ltd., Times Building.

MODERN 3-room house, cement basement, Caloric furnace, extra toilet. 163 Medina. Phone 5463L or 1001.

OLIPHANT Ave., good seven-room house, $30. Finlayson St., off Quadra, seven rooms, $20. Vincent Ave., Gorge, four rooms $13. Hueshy St., 6 rooms, $13. A. A. Meharey, 409 Sayward Bldg.

OAK BAY—Very nice, modern 6-roomed bungalow, furnace, $35. Gladstone Ave., 5 rooms, modern, $40. Holland Ave., 3 rooms, modern, $12. Heggshawe & Co.

SIX-ROOMED house, 424 Hillside, clean, good condition. Rent $13. Phone 3383L.

SMALL cottage in Esquimalt district. F. Strathoit, 1131 Esquimalt Road.

TO Rent—2-room modern house, practically furnished. Apply 3138 Harriet Road.

TO Let—Clean 5-room house, $13 per month. 3630 Shelbourne Street.

TO Rent, Jan. 1st, 1926—3-room cottage, Fairfield, near sea, $10 month. Phone 4793L.

6-ROOMS, modern; bathroom, basement, 1006 Yates St., next to Vancouver St., $22 per month, including water. Fully modern 11-room home, with 7-8 bedrooms, Vancouver St., close to Park; gas laid on, suitable for apartments or boarding establishment, $37 per month. Albina St., Gorge, 6 rooms, furnace, $13 per month. Beautiful 8-room home on inland waters, well sheltered, in first-class condition; furnace, garage, sleeping porch, nice waterfront, garden, secluded, $35 per month. Victoria Realty Co., 610 View St. Phone 3036.

4-ROOM modern bungalow, garden, chicken house; garage if required. 2733 Victor Street.

5-ROOMED cottage, Oak Bay, close Skating Arena. 1064 Burdett Ave.

2639 BLANSHARD ST., between Hillside and King's Road—Six-room bungalow, with linoleum, and fruit trees, nice garden; rent $20.00 month. Apply 715 View Street.

1137 PANDORA AVE., above Cook St.—Six-room bungalow, nice garden, rent $20.00 month. Apply 715 View Street.

6-ROOM house, Oak Bay, vacant first January; clean and modern; cement basement and furnace. 2040 Chaucer St.

WANTED TO RENT—HOUSES 24

IF you have a furnished or unfurnished house to rent, see our Rental Department. We have a large waiting list of desirable tenants. Swinerton & Musgrave, Ltd., 240 Fort Street. Phone 491.

TO RENT—FURNISHED HOUSES 25

PEMBERTON & SON

GORGE ROAD—Fully furnished house of 8 rooms	$60.00
TRANSIT ROAD—On waterfront; 8 rooms, fully furnished; hot air furnace; garage; for 3 months or 1 year	$80.00
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ROCKLAND AVENUE—12 rooms, boarding house	$70.00
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623 Fort Street Phone 288 Victoria, B.C.

A 3-ROOM cottage, $16.50; modern 3-room cottage, $18.30, bath, including water. 3014 Fernwood Road.

A FURNISHED bungalow apartment, 2 bedrooms, modern. Phone 7380. 1309 Crescent Road.

COSY 5-room modern bungalow, at Marigold; piano, city light and water; rent reasonable. Phone 4534L.

CORDOVA BAY—4-room furnished cottage; bath, hot and cold water; suitable for retired couple; $13 per month. Apply J. O. Elliott, Law Chambers, Bastion St.

FAIRFIELD—Modern 7 rooms, $60. Car berry Gardens—8 rooms, $45. Oak Bay—7 rooms, modern $30. Douglas Street—6 rooms, $25. And others. Heggshawe & Co.

FIVE rooms, modern, furnished, Merino Drive, $30. A. S. Barton, 110 Pemberton Building.

GOOD five-room bungalow, furnished, with piano included; ⅓ acre land, good suburban home; $25. Good seven-room semi-bungalow, good location, Fairfield, gas and furnace, $40. Good seven-room house, Fernwood district, gas and furnace; $40. H. Amphlett, 312 Union Bank Bldg. Phone 3000.

HOUSES furnished and unfurnished, for rent and for sale on easy terms. Fred M. Russell, 1012 Broad St. Phone 4232.

LINDEN Avenue, best part—Eight rooms, high grade furnishings, $70. Phone 272, or call Christy & Co., Ltd., Times Building.

PARTLY furnished or unfurnished house, good locality, close to car. Phone, between 9 and 5, 2317L.

TO Rent—5-room bungalow at 1930 Cowan Avenue (now Brighton Avenue), partly furnished, rent $10 per month. Apply Foot & Manzer, telephone 313.

TO Rent—5-room bungalow, 1360 Chestnut Avenue; furnished. Phone 7380L2.

5-ROOM, modern, 1 acre, just outside city limits; $23. F. F. Higgs, 203 Pemberton Building.

POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK 27

POULTRY AND SUPPLIES

FRESH-KILLED POULTRY

A FINE selection of fresh-killed poultry for Christmas. Order early and secure the best. Prices right and quality the best. Wanted, live turkeys. John Day, 636 Cormorant Street. Phone 1000.

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FOR Sale—Good Jersey cow, calved Oct. 7, high tester, price $100. Phone 81 Sidney.

POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK 27 (Continued)

GOOD cow for sale, due to freshen December 17. Apply F. V. Hobbs, Cadboro Bay P.O.

ONE fresh cow; one due to freshen. T. Boyles, corner of Kenneth Street and Glanford Avenue. Phone Colquitz 39R.

DOGS AND CATS

BEAUTIFUL Persian kittens for sale. Phone 5835L.

ENGLISH bulldog puppy, registered pedigree stock. An ideal Christmas gift. Call 1733 Lee Avenue or phone 6333L.

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PURE Rollers for Christmas presents, for the price of common canaries, at Walker's Aviaries, 1611 Denman Street.

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AUTOMOBILES 28

AUTO BARGAINS. Forced sale, Overland Bluebird, $200. Ford 1-ton truck, like new, $300. 1921 Ford touring, $150 ... used parts for Oakland, McLaughlin Light Six, Chevrolet, Ford. Capital Garage, 1052 Fort.

CADILLAC 8, Model 63 coupe, make a good stage, $650. Nash 7-pass., in good condition, $350. Two-ton trailer, $150. Knox tractor rear end complete, $125. 36x4½ and 37x5 tires in stock. Hudson Super-Six engine, $150.

PARTS! PARTS! PARTS!

For Cadillac 8, Buick, Hudson, Dodge, Studebaker, Gray-Dort, Hupp, Saxon, Lexington, Overland, Packard, Chalmers, Winton, Willys-Knight, Maxwell and many others. Pacific Auto Wrecking Co., Ltd., 941 View Street. Phone 3339. "Ask for Mr. Junkin."

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AUTOMOBILES 28
(Continued)

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4—REAL SNAPS—4

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YOU can buy an attractive seven-roomed home on Richmond Avenue, modern, with three bedrooms, hall, good living-room, fireplace; large dining-room, fireplace; den; kitchen, pantry, washroom; full basement, in nice condition, plenty of light. Lot 55 by 140; garage, fruit trees. For only $3,550, terms. Absentee owner can use money elsewhere to advantage, thus his decision to make a present of it to someone. IF YOU WOULD BE THE LUCKY BUYER—SEE US TODAY. WE RECOMMEND IT.

R. V. WINCH & CO., LTD.
645 Fort Street Phone 5150

FOR SALE—TO CLOSE AN ESTATE
1½ ACRES and 5-ROOM MODERN BUNGALOW

Situated on Beach Drive, Oak Bay, and overlooking the Municipal Park, with an uninterrupted view of sea and mountains.

For price and further particulars, apply to E. P. Johnston, Colonist Office.

$2500—OAK BAY—Attractive 5-room bungalow, with bathroom, pantry, cement basement, excellent finish internally, open fireplace. Lot in lawn and fruit. Half block from car line. A real good buy. $555 cash, balance easy.

MACNICOL & KERR
412 Central Bldg. Phone 3470

$650 CASH, OR $700 ON VERY EASY TERMS, buys a clear title, 4-room cottage, and about a quarter acre of fruit trees, all in splendid full-bearing condition; apples, pears, plums, cherries, and small fruits. Taxes only $5.

$1900 CASH, OR $2,000 ON TERMS—A SPLENDIDLY CONSTRUCTED 5-ROOM MODERN BRICK HOUSE, like new, half block from sea. There is a large 2-story building at the rear, suitable for small factory or workshop. This is close-in valuable property, at half cost of building.

$2200—WITH $300 CASH AND BALANCE MONTHLY — MODERN 4-ROOM BUNGALOW, 3-piece bathroom, pantry, and full cement basement. Almost a half acre of orchard and small fruit. Stands high, fine view, half block from bus, and taxes are only $10.

G. C. HOWELL, 156 Pemberton Bldg.

EXCEPTIONAL VALUE

$3100—OWNER, leaving country, makes heavy reduction in price of this well-built, fully modern bungalow, has entrance hall, with cloak closet, panelling, built-in features, cosy den, with open fire, very convenient Dutch kitchen; two bedrooms, large floored attic; full cement basement with furnace, laundry tubs, bins, etc. Fine big garden, with fruit, poultry run, garage, cement walks and drive.

$3500—WELL-BUILT, almost new bungalow of four rooms, vestibule entrance, panelled living-room, open fire, full cement basement. A cosy and convenient little home, on two lots, with good garden, garage, and large, well-built greenhouse (18x53), on concrete foundation. High location, and close to car and school.

J. B. LIVSEY
(Successor to Grant & Lineham)
504 Sayward Block Phone 654

HOMES OUR SPECIALTY

$850—NEW 4-room bungalow, hot and cold water; oak shade trees; ½-acre lot; close to bus.

$1500—NEW and modern 5-room bungalow, basement, open fireplace, and all modern conveniences; Lake Hill district; close to bus.

THE CITY BROKERAGE
A. T. Abbey, Mgr.
630 View Street Phone 815

THE ROYAL TRUST COMPANY
Executors and Trustees

REAL ESTATE DEPARTMENT

Phone 4750

Belmont House, Victoria, B.C.

$2100—A GOOD HOME of nine rooms, five bedrooms, full basement, hot air heating, laundry tubs. A splendid barn, with cement floor and sewer connection. Four lots, 155 ft. by 205 ft. This property is suitable for keeping a few cows. Note the price, $2,100.

OAK BAY—Built in 1920, this five-roomed bungalow, with full basement, furnace, and all other modern improvements, can be purchased for
$2575

$2600—FAIRFIELD—A modern bungalow of five rooms, built-in features, full basement and furnace. A good buy of the price.

$460 CASH for a good five-roomed bungalow, 3 bedrooms, bath, nice large living-room, gas in kitchen, cement basement, garage and two lots. No nicer street or location in the city; close to Oak Bay car. Purchaser to assume mortgage and some consolidated 15-year tax. This offer will make you some money.
MUTUAL REALTY
415 Sayward Bldg.

4-ROOM modern bungalow, large garden. $1,700, terms. Owner, Box 6739, Colonist.

HOUSES FOR SALE 39
(Continued)

PHOENIX ASSURANCE CO., LTD.
(London, England)

APARTMENT HOUSE
TOGETHER WITH
A 5-ROOM BUNGALOW

THE Apartment House is furnished and has thirteen rooms. Always well rented. Within easy walking distance of city, school and park, also beach and close to car line. The bungalow is modern, lawn, basement, etc.

Both places are in splendid shape and present a very excellent investment for the small price of
$9000
Immediate possession. Terms may be arranged.

B.C. LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY, LTD.
625 Government Street Phone 125

$1150—FIVE-ROOM bungalow, modern in every respect, including full bathroom, basement, etc. This house is in good shape, full-sized lot, with small fruits and chicken houses. Will sell completely furnished if desired. Outside city, near transportation. TERMS.

$1400—SIX-ROOM modern house, entrance hall, front room with open fire, dining-room with built-in buffet, kitchen, pantry with cupboards, bins and drawers; three bedrooms; basement. Seven minutes' walk to Hudson's Bay. It's a real house in good shape, and has every other bargain backed right off the map.

$2500—A PERFECT gem of a 5-room bungalow, open fire, built-in features, panelled and beamed; Dutch kitchen, basement with furnace, and garage. Pretty front lawn and garden. A GREAT BARGAIN.

$3300—SEMI-BUNGALOW of 7 charming rooms, one of the most convenient and attractive homes in the city. Reception hall with open fire, delightful drawing-room, dining-room panelled and beamed, den, three fine bedrooms, sleeping porch, furnace and garage. POSITIVELY A GIFT.

HARRY AMPHLETT
512 Union Bank Bldg. Phone 5055

BUY YOUR WIFE A HOME FOR XMAS

$2500—BUNGALOW, five rooms, 3-piece bathroom; partly furnished. Good garage; large lot. Close to car and school. Taxes only $11.55. This is another snappy snap.

$2100—BUNGALOW, five rooms, basement and furnace. Paved street, local improvements all paid. This bungalow has just been reduced from $2,505 for quick sale, as owner has to leave the city.

E. E. HEATH
628 Yates Street Phone 674

$750—Very nice 4-room house. Large lot. Garage. Terms, $200 cash, balance one, two or three years. $1,200, Well-built 5-room house, basement, cement foundation. Large lot with fruit and chicken houses, runs and garage. Terms, $205 cash, balance arranged to suit. Very low taxes on the above. Two snaps. F. F. Higgs, 205 Pemberton Building. Agent North Empire Fire Insurance Company.

WANTED TO BUY—HOUSES 40

WANTED to Purchase—Modern six-room house, close in. Good cash payment. State price, terms, etc., to Box 5575, Colonist.

WE want listings of six and seven-roomed bungalows and houses, Oak Bay and Fairfield. We will call and inspect your property on request.
R. P. CLARK & CO., LTD.
Members Real Estate Board of Victoria
View and Broad Streets

ACREAGE FOR SALE 42

PEMBERTON & SON
Offices to Rent

NORTH SAANICH—5 acres, all in cultivation and under-drained, very best of soil; ever-running creek. Over an acre in strawberries, also logans, raspberries, and a dozen bearing fruit trees. Five-roomed house, with hot and cold water laid on, and three-piece bathroom; full concrete basement. Barn for 5 head, chicken house for 100 birds, garage. Taxes only $5. Bus ten minutes; High School within 1½ miles. Price $3,550, on terms.

TWO ACRES of excellent soil, cleared and fenced, and in cultivation. An excellent plastered house of five good-sized rooms and large pantry; open fireplace in sitting-room. Good barn and stabling, the latter suited for garage. Never-failing well from spring at door. Bearing fruits. Five minutes' walk from store and school. Rural mail, passenger and freight service; electric light and telephone pass door, on main paved road, which makes the whole property suitable for catering to ever-increasing tourist business. Price $3,100.

FIVE ACRES of excellent soil, very easily cleared, in Glenford Avenue, within 3 miles of City Hall. City water, light and phone pass property. For a quick sale, $1,005.

PEMBERTON & SON
Established 1887
Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agents
625 Fort Street Victoria, B.C.
Phone 385

A COUNTRY ESTATE OF 30 ACRES, near Victoria, high location, fine view of the water. Well-built modern house and greenhouse, heated by hot water. House for help. Garage, chicken house, and enclosed yard and runs. Orchard of the very best. Some fine timber. Unlimited water supply by gravity system. For further particulars apply
J. N. HOLLAND, 203 Pemberton Blk.

FOX farm—An island, 13 acres, convenient to Victoria. Apply to D. Fraser, Colonist Office. For sale or lease.

COUNTRY RESIDENCE

FIVE-room stucco residence, almost new, with every modern convenience, on beautiful private waterfrontage. For appointment, see
SPARLING
At Deep Cove. Tel. Sidney 105Y.

MANITOBA, Dauphin District—160 acres wheat land, 80 acres broken, log house, barn, good well; 6 miles town, rail; assessed value $4,000; taxes paid; sell very easy terms, or want improved B.C. property. Also 25 acres level rich chocolate loam, on Orange Belt Highway, Tulare Co., Calif., not improved, but surrounded by highly prosperous citrus, olive, walnut, prune, grape vineyards, will grow anything. My equity $5,550. What offers, cash, trade? Owner, 610 South Main, Santa Ana, California.

ONE of the finest farms in the productive Keating Valley. Land is all cleared and in splendid cultivation, with the exception of a pretty coppice, which is traversed by a nice stream. Five-room house, absolutely to city standards, panelled and beamed, huge open fire in living-room, with inglenook seats, running water, bath, etc. Colony chicken houses, barn, etc. Fruits and small fruits. A most attractive and valuable home. Accept city house in part payment.
HARRY AMPHLETT
512 Union Bank Bldg. Phone 5500

SUITABLE for fox raising or fruit—About 5½ acres, facing Portage Inlet. ¼ acre cleared, all good soil. 4-roomed bungalow, chicken house and cow shed. Water laid on. Gradual slope to waterfront. Price $2,100, terms. Exclusive listing. T. B. Monk & Co., 1559 Broad Street.

LOT 112 600 ACRES
SITUATED Malahat, Mill Bay Road, adjoining Sylvester's Ranch. Timber, farm land.
Apply Box 53, Shawnigan Lake.

$1000—SPLENDID home site of 15 acres, well situated, good land. Splendid view, 5-mile circle. Terms, $350 cash, balance 6, 12 and 18 months. F. F. Higgs, 205 Pemberton Building.

4 ACRES, partly cleared, 4-room cottage and outbuilding, near Victoria. Will sell cheap. Box 6151, Colonist.

ACREAGE FOR SALE 42
(Continued)

A GOOD FARM AT SAANICH
AND A
SPLENDID BARGAIN

THERE are about 95 acres, 55 under cultivation, balance good pasturage. Barn, outhouses, chicken houses, orchard, etc. Excellent spring water supply all year round. About 12 miles from Victoria, on paved highway, with first-class transportation facilities. Close to school, church, store. Very good dwelling of eight rooms, a comfortable place. Part of land contains superb view of sea and mountains. Price, on terms if desired, $15,000.

B.C. LAND & INVESTMENT AGENCY, LTD.
655 Government St. Phone 125

$850 FOR a nice home of 4 rooms, modern conveniences, on quiet street, close to public school and car line. Nothing else like it on the market for the price. Terms can also be arranged. Let us show you this. Lee, Parsons & Co., Ltd., 1223 Broad Street. Phone 575.

$3900

4 ACRES OF GARDEN AT ROYAL OAK. MODERN BUNGALOW, 4 ROOMS, LIKE NEW. SMALL FRUITS, chicken houses, barn, garage. Land in splendid growing condition, all drained and fenced. Furniture and stock can be purchased.
G. C. HOWELL 156 Pemberton Bldg.

16½ ACRES at Saseenos, overlooking inner Harbor of Sooke, unobstructed view. Some clearing; creek runs through property. Half a mile of road frontage. First-class soil. City water available. $1,205 cash. Apply Box 5725, Colonist.

PROPERTY FOR SALE 44

PEMBERTON & SON

Offices to Rent

PROPERTY FOR SALE

SEVEN BUILDING LOTS, in a block off the Gorge Road. Exceptional value at $850 cash.

We advise the purchase of Oak Bay property, either as an investment or for building. Prices are much firmer.

PROPERTY WANTED

VACANT OAK BAY LOTS in exchange for a fully modern house, in good condition and at present rented.

PEMBERTON & SON
Established 1887
Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agents
625 Fort Street Victoria, B.C.
Phone 385

FOR Sale—Large lot, west side of Victoria Avenue, near Central. Price $350. Box 6735, Colonist.

SPECIAL SACRIFICE
YATES STREET, CLOSE TO DOUGLAS
INSIDE business property, 50x150. Rental more than covers taxes. This property has been reduced from $15,500 to $11,550, for cash only. Indefeasible title.
ANOTHER INSIDE BUSINESS SNAP
JOHNSON STREET, CLOSE TO DOUGLAS
PROPERTY, 50x150. Choice location for a garage, repair shop. Price (½ cash down), $5,150. Indefeasible title.
Exclusive agents
H. G. DALBY & CO.
634 View Opp. Spencer's

ALFRED CARMICHAEL & CO., LIMITED

BUILDING LOT SPECIALS

LANSDOWNE ROAD—High, fine view, ¼ acre $775

ARGYLE STREET—¼ acre, all cultivated $850
These lots are close to Normal and University Schools and car line.

FAIRFIELD, close to Linden—50 ft. x 150 ft. $455

BELLS ROAD, Oak Bay—Level, good soil, 50 ft. x 161 ft. $550

ESQUIMALT, corner Munro and Stevenson, 150 ft. x 300 ft. $505
This property would subdivide into six 50 ft. x 135 ft. lots.

Any of the above are excellent buying.

ALFRED CARMICHAEL & CO., LIMITED
Real Estate and Insurance Agents
624 Fort St. Phone 5500
Members Real Estate Board of Victoria

ROCKLAND AVE. property for sale, 180 by 345, ideal site for apartment house. Apply Owner, 315 N. Thomas St., Seattle, Wash.

CHEAPER THAN AUCTION SALE PRICES
LOT ON GLADSTONE AVENUE, with oak trees $325
LOT IN OAK BAY, 55 by 115, with sea view, close to Beach Drive $350
THE GRIFFITH CO., LTD.
101-9 Hibben-Bone Bldg. Phone 1455

FARMS FOR SALE 47

WATERFRONT HOME—10 acres, with four-room house with bathroom and fireplace; ½-acre logans, ½-acre roses, ½-acre black current, 4 acres full-bearing orchard, balance pasture. Splendid water system, gravity, to house and for irrigation. For price and full particulars, apply F. F. Higgs, 205 Pemberton Bldg.

63 ACRES or less, improved, good land, buildings, phone, abundant water, excellent situation, subdivide advantageously. Cheap for immediate sale. Apply Box 133, Somenos, B.C.

6 ACRES, all cultivated, house, barn, chicken house, city water, main road, near postoffice. Owner, F. C. Long, Metchosin.

FARMS FOR RENT 49

If you wish to RENT YOUR FARM
Let us have a listing. We have clients waiting. Phone 385. PEMBERTON & SON.

ACREAGE FOR RENT 50

6 ACRES good cultivated land, with 5-room house; barn; orchard; city water, also well with pump. Rent $300 per year, payable ½ yearly. F. F. Higgs, 205 Pemberton Bldg. Others to suit if this does not.

MONEY TO LOAN 52

7% MONEY
A LIMITED amount to loan on strictly first-class improved property at seven per cent. Heisterman, Forman & Co.

AGREEMENTS for sale and mortgages purchased. Money to loan. Foot & Manzer, Barristers, Bank of Nova Scotia Bldg., Victoria.

ATTRACTIVE terms of repayment—Sums ranging from $350 upwards always available for first mortgage loans on business, home or farm properties. Lowest current rate of interest. Strictly confidential. P. R. Brown & Sons, Ltd., 1115 Broad Street. Phone 1076.

MORTGAGES
IMPROVED SECURITY REQUIRED

SWINERTON & MUSGRAVE, LTD.
640 FORT STREET

MONEY to loan on first mortgage, in amounts $500-$5,000. Building loans in Oak Bay or Fairfield considered. Wise & Co., Ltd., 109 Pemberton Bldg.

TEACHERS WANTED 54

PRIMARY teacher wanted for North Cedar School. Apply J. T. Hepburn, Secretary.

PERSONAL 56

GIVE the children a real Christmas by having a Christmas tree; 50c, 75c and $1.00 delivered. Phone 1314X

HAIRDRESSING done privately at popular prices. 631 Hillside Ave. Phone 2041R.

IF your watch does not give satisfaction, bring it to the "Watch Bench," Brawn Block, Broad St. Mainsprings $1; cleaning $1; work guaranteed. Opp. Spencer's.

INVALIDS, semi-invalids and elderly people taken care of at 910 Cook Street. 6468L.

MADAME OLIVIA (clairvoyant), 202 Beverley Building, Yates Street. Phone 2805.

PERMANENT relief can be obtained from varicose ulcers, bad legs and kindred complaints by the Varex treatment. Testimonials prove it. See Varex Nurse, 731 Fort Street. Phone 2180.

PERSONAL Greeting Cards and Folders. A large and exclusive variety to select from. Place your order early at The Colonist, Commercial Department. 1311 Broad Street. Phone 197.

SAFETY razor blades resharpened; razors honed and set, 25c. F. D. Cox, 637 Fort.

THOS. PLIMLEY, Ltd., for guaranteed used cars and trucks. Liberal terms. Phone 697.

WATCHES, clocks and jewelry cleaned and repaired; moderate charges; workmanship guaranteed. J. A. Dewar, Room 119 Woolworth Bldg. Phone 3353.

TIMBER BROKERS 60

CROWN grant and licensed timber for sale. Cruisers' reports and estimates furnished, with topographical maps. Log brokers, Girdwood & Lewis, Ltd., 117-119 Pemberton Bldg.

LARGE and small tracts of timber, accessible to rail and water, for sale. Wise & Co., Ltd., 108 Pemberton Bldg.

WE have for sale timber, Crown grant or license, large or small tracts. Pemberton & Son.

RYAN, McINTOSH, HIBBERSON, BLAIR TIMBER CO., LTD., TIMBER CRUISERS, VALUATORS AND CONSULTING ENGINEERS. Timber for sale in large or small tracts, Crown grant or license, in any part of the Province. 742 BELMONT HOUSE, VICTORIA.

BELMONT AVENUE
High SEVEN $4200 Part ROOMS
Perfect inside and out.
R. G. CHRISTY & CO., LTD.
Times Building Phone 375

WELLINGTON COLLIERY RAILWAY COMPANY

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Wellington Colliery Railway Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, Room 600, Belmont Building, corner of Government and Humboldt Streets, in the City of Victoria, B.C., on Monday, the fourth day of January, 1926, at the hour of 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the election of Directors of said Company for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business connected with and incidental to the undertaking of the Railway Company that may be dealt with at an Annual General Meeting of its shareholders.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this first day of December, 1925.

PATRICK S. FAGAN,
Secretary of the Wellington Colliery Railway Co.

OAK BAY HIGH SCHOOL

WANTED—Teacher for mathematics and science. Reply, by December 19, giving full information, to

H. F. HEWETT,
Secretary, Oak Bay School Board.
Oak Bay, B.C.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Matter of the Estate of Henry Martin, late of the City of Victoria, B.C., Deceased.

All persons having claims against the Estate of the above-named deceased, who died on the 25th day of June, 1924, and whose Will was proved in the Supreme Court of British Columbia, Victoria Registry, on the 13th day of August, 1925, by The Royal Trust Company, the Executor therein named, are hereby required to send by post prepaid or to deliver full particulars in writing of their claims and of the securities held by them, duly verified, to the undersigned, solicitor for the Executor. And to take notice that after the 30th day of December, 1925, the assets of the said deceased will be distributed among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the Executor shall then have had notice.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 10th day of November, 1925.

A. S. INNES,
Solicitor, 202 Belmont House,
Victoria, B.C.

LAND ACT

Notice of Intention to Apply to Purchase Land in Telegraph Creek, Land Recording District of Cassiar, and situate at Meziadin, on Bease River.

Take notice that the Stewart Consolidated Mines, Ltd., N.P.L., of Victoria, B.C., an incorporated company, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at this post planted and marked S.W., and thence Astronomic North 20 chains, thence Act. East 20 chains, thence Act. South about 20 chains to left bank of Bease River; thence following Westerly said left bank to point of commencement, and containing forty (40) acres, more or less.

THE STEWART CONSOLIDATED GOLD MINES, LTD., N.P.L.,
Per J. H. Gray, Agent.

Dated Sept. 14th, 1925.

In the Matter of the Estate of Bessie Allred, Deceased

Notice is hereby given, that all persons having claims against the deceased, who died on the 21st day of October, 1925, at the City of Victoria, are requested to send the same to the undersigned, solicitors for Dr. J. N. Taylor, the executor of the will of the deceased, before the 21st day of December, 1925, after which date the executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to claims of which notice has then been received.

BANE & BULLOCK-WEBSTER,
Bastion Street, Victoria, B.C.
2th December, 1925.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Matter of the Estate of Nathaniel William Dobeson, late of the City of Victoria, B.C., Deceased.

All persons having claims against the Estate of the above-named deceased, who died on the 1st day of March, 1924, are hereby required to send by post prepaid or to deliver full particulars in writing of their claims and of the securities held by them, duly verified, to the undersigned, solicitor for The Royal Trust Company, to whom letters of Administration, with the will of the said deceased annexed, of the estate of the said deceased were granted out of the Victoria Registry of the Supreme Court of British Columbia on the 13th day of March, 1925. And to take notice that after the 24th day of December, 1925, the assets of the said deceased will be distributed among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which The Royal Trust Company shall then have had notice.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 10th day of November, 1925.

A. S. INNES,
Solicitor, 202 Belmont House,
Victoria, B.C.

New Furniture
HOME FURNITURE COMPANY
F. W. BARTHOLOMEW
825 Fort Street Phone 4110

BARTHOLOMEW'S Antiques
Antique and High-Class Furniture Stores
1115 - 1117 - 1119 Fort St. (Near Cook)
Most Entertaining
LARGEST AND BEST SELECTION IN B.C.

MONTREAL PRODUCE

MONTREAL, Dec. 16.—Butter and cheese, quiet; eggs, strong.

Cheese—Finest Westerns, 22 to 22 1-2 cents.

Butter—No. 1 pasteurized, 42 1-2 to 43 cents; No. 1 creamery, 41 to 42 cents.

Eggs—Storage extras, 46 cents; storage firsts, 41 cents; seconds, 36 cents; fresh specials, 76 cents; fresh extras, 65 cents.

Quebec potatoes, per bag, car lots, $2.50 to $2.75.

V. 2532.

McCloy & Co.

Auctioneers
Sale Thursday at 1:30
In Our Auction Halls
Corner Pandora and Blanshard

Household Furniture

And Miscellaneous Effects

Goods received or sent for up to 10 a.m., Thursday.

V. 2584.

Sale Friday at 1:30
At 1610 Belmont Avenue

Household Furniture

Linen, Bedding, Etc.
On View Friday Morning From 9 o'Clock

Sale Saturday at 11 A.M.
At Victoria Public Market

Livestock Poultry, Etc.

Entries Taken Up to Start of Sale

V. 2582.

Special Sale Tuesday
At 1:30 P.M.
In Our Auction Halls

Antique and Modern Furniture

Rich Cut Glass; Pictures; Solid Silver; Pianoforte; Violin, Etc.

Full Particulars Later

McCLOY & CO.
Phone 1431

MAYNARD & SONS
AUCTIONEERS

Instructed by the owners we will sell at Salesrooms, 727-733 Pandora Avenue:

TODAY AT 1:30 P.M.

EXCEPTIONALLY WELL-KEPT HEINTZMAN & CO. 88-NOTE PLAYER-PIANO AND A LARGE SELECTION OF MUSIC; EXTRA LARGE VICTOR VICTROLA AND RECORDS; LARGE COLUMBIA GRAMOPHONE AND RECORDS; 10 OTHER GRAMOPHONES AND RECORDS; SMALL CHESTERFIELD; MAHOGANY PARLOR SUITE; VERY GOOD 3-PIECE CHESTERFIELD SUITE; OAK HALL STAND; LIBRARY TABLE; DROP-HEAD SEWING MACHINE; LADIES' SECRETAIRE; SEVERAL GOOD CARPETS; FUMED OAK AND OTHER DINING-ROOM SUITES; 4-TUBE WESTINGHOUSE RADIO WITH CABINET; LOUD SPEAKER; BRASS CURB, UKULELE AND GUITAR; 4-TUBE RADIOLA, COMPLETE WITH EAR PHONES, BATTERIES AND TUBES; EXTRA GOOD SIMMONS AND OTHER BEDS, SPRINGS AND MATTRESSES; 12 EXTRA GOOD DRESSERS AND STANDS; CHIFFONIERS; 8 GOOD STEEL RANGES AND COOK STOVES; 15 HEATERS AND PARLOR STOVES; KITCHEN CUPBOARD WITH GLASS DOORS; KITCHEN TABLES; LARGE ASSORTMENT OF COOKING UTENSILS; GARDEN TOOLS; BATH; BLACKSMITHS' FORGES, ETC.

Also usual sale of Poultry, Fruit, Vegetables, Etc., at 11 o'clock in the stockyard.

MAYNARD & SONS
Auctioneers Phone 837

Sale No. 1637

STEWART WILLIAMS & CO.
AUCTIONEERS

Duly instructed by Mrs. Mary L. Gillespie, will sell by Public Auction

Today, Dec. 16

at 1:30 o'clock, at her residence, 1025 Monterey Avenue, her

Furniture and Effects

including

Upright Piano by Fischer, of New York.

On view this morning.

Take the Oak Bay car to Monterey Avenue.

For further particulars apply to

The Auctioneer,
Stewart Williams
410 and 411 Sayward Building
Phone 1324

MONEY MARKETS

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Money, 4½ per cent. Discount rates: Short bills, 4⅞@4 15-16 per cent; three months' bills, 4⅞ per cent.

At New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Call money easier; high 5, low 5, ruling rate 5, closing bid 5, offered at 5½, last loan 5, call loans against acceptances, 4½. Time loans steady; mixed collateral, 60-90 days, 4⅞@5; 4-6 months, 4⅞@5. Prime mercantile paper, 4¾.

Heads Alcohol Company

MONTREAL, Dec. 15.—At the annual general meeting of the Canadian Industrial Alcohol Company this afternoon Lord Shaughnessy became president in succession to J. B. Waddell, who has resigned

French Finance Problems Upset Fifth Minister

M. Loucheur Resigns—Plans Rejected by Finance Committee of Chamber—Cabinet In No Danger

PARIS, Dec. 15.—France's financial troubles today caused the downfall of the fifth minister who has grappled with them during the past eight months. Louis Loucheur failed, as did Caillaux, to propose solutions that the principal elements of the Government majority in the Chamber of Deputies would accept, and was obliged to resign, after receiving from the finance committee of the Chamber the second rebuff in three days. Opposition to M. Loucheur came from the same groups that obliged M. Caillaux to retire, namely, the Socialists and extreme Radicals, while Painleve succumbed, as did Demonzie and Clementel, to the moderate Conservative groups, with a few dissenting Radicals.

The Socialists were the most uncompromising adversaries of the minister, leading the fight against any consideration of the measures he proposed.

Cabinet in No Danger

The retirement of M. Loucheur is considered as in no way affecting the position of Premier Briand, who will now be able, if he sees fit, to enlarge his cabinet by taking in a representative of the moderate groups, strengthening his Government toward the right and depriving the Socialists of the influence they have exercised throughout the present Parliament thus far.

In a letter to M. Briand, the Finance Minister, confirming his resignation, admits that his measures, twice rejected by the finance committee, "involved heavy sacrifices," but affirms that "they were in our opinion necessary."

By rejecting them, continued M. Loucheur, the finance committee "has really refused the Government that collaboration which the Government had offered to the committee in order to reach an agreement on financial projects." M. Loucheur concludes with the settlement that the re-establishment of French finances must not be delayed on account of any one person, and that therefore "with the greatest confidence in the financial achievement of this urgent work," he will resign rather than hinder the task.

After thanking M. Loucheur warmly for his devoted "collaboration in difficult circumstances," the Premier received Paul Doumer, Radical-Socialist, a former Finance Minister, with whom he conferred.

Premier Briand held a long talk with Senator Doumer and is inclined to ask him to take the portfolio. Nothing, however, will be decided until after the cabinet meeting which M. Briand has summoned for tomorrow morning.

Should the cabinet approve the choice of M. Doumer, he may be formally appointed at noon to take over the ministry at once.

Chicago Grain

(Supplied by B.C. Bond Corpn., Ltd.)

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Wheat opened higher on cables and bullish official Argentina crop estimate for Cordoba and Sante Fe. Full figures will be out tomorrow. Shipping sales estimated at 2,000,000 bushels, largely Manitobas. Local sentiment is much more bullish than of late. We still believe wheat can be sold on the sharp advances.

Corn was governed largely by the action of wheat, but trade was small and erratic. Heavy snow in the West is expected to delay the movement. Eastern demand slow. Would sell corn on the sharp advances.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
May (new)	166⅝	169	166	169
May	164⅝	167	164	167
July	146⅝	148	145⅝	147⅝
Sept.	169⅝	172	169	171⅝
Dec.	167⅛	169⅝	166⅝	169⅝
Corn—				
May	84½	85	84¼	84¾
July	86⅝	86⅝	86⅛	86⅝
Dec.	77⅝	78⅛	77⅛	77⅝
Oats—				
May	44⅝	45⅝	44⅝	45¼
July	45⅝	46⅝	45⅝	46⅝
Dec.	40¾	41⅝	40⅝	41⅝
Rye—				
May	105⅛	108⅝	105¾	108
Dec.	99	100⅝	99	100⅝

METAL MARKETS

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Copper quiet, electrolytic spot and futures, 14@14⅛. Tin weak, spot and nearby, 61.25; futures, 60.75. Iron steady; prices unchanged. Lead steady; spot 9.25. Zinc firm; East St. Louis spot, 8.75; futures, 8.50@8.60. Antimony, spot, 22.22.

At London

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Standard copper, spot, £59 2s 6d; futures, £60 2s 6d. Electrolytic, spot, £64 15s; futures, £65 15s. Tin, spot, £275, 7s 6d; futures, £272 7s 6d. Lead, spot, £33 15s; futures, £33 15s. Zinc, spot, £37 2s 6d; futures, £36 10s.

Fox Huntér on Arctic Circle Adopts Five Orphan Children



REPORTS which have reached the Victoria members of the Canadian Armenian Near East Relief and Save the Children Fund as to the outcome of the observance of International Golden Rule Sunday, December 6, indicate that the observance was much more general in the country districts than in the centres, the largest churches doing worst of all. No doubt this is, in many cases simply a matter of waiting until the pressure of more intimate financial concerns has passed, at least officials at the head office hope so.

The "Come over and help us" plea of the children has, however, penetrated into strange places as will be seen by the illustration:

The "furthest north" contributor during the past year is an American fox hunter, Joseph Ward, of Fort Yukon, Alaska, who recently "adopted" five Armenian orphan children in the American orphanage at Nazareth, Palestine, sending his cheque on a Seattle bank to cover the first year's expenses of the children.

"My home is located exactly on the Arctic circle," he wrote with his contribution, "and my fellow-citizens consist of thirty whites and 300 Indians. We learned about the American relief work in Bible Lands a few weeks ago from a visitor, and decided that we wanted to share in it. My contribution is enclosed, and some other contributions from Fort Yukon will come along later.

"The spirit of the Golden Rule is prevalent in the Far North. We of the Arctic want to do as we'd be done by, and we want to have some small share in your great work of helping the Christian races of the Holy Land."

Mr. Fred Landsberg, the treasurer of the local committee, acknowledges through the press all contributions.

Prairie Travel Is Moving Westward

C.P.R. Official's Confidence Being Demonstrated Early in Winter Tourist Season

The optimistic view expressed by Mr. C. E. McPherson, assistant passenger traffic manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway, when he was here recently, as to the prairie travel to this Coast, appears to be borne out so far as the season has gone.

There is usually not a large movement of prairie people until after Christmas, but already a number of the hotels report a distinct migration. Then Winter weather set in before some of the grain was harvested, but mild temperatures have permitted this to be done, and it will free a number of farmers and their families.

Mr. McPherson said he had visited all the main cities and towns on the prairies en route to the Coast, and a decided improvement in business justified his confidence in a large tourist movement during the Winter months to Coast cities.

Lumber Company to Seek Wharf Along Port Alberni Front

It is understood that the Great Central Lake Sawmills, Limited, will seek wharf accommodation on the Alberni Canal, convenient to Port Alberni. By way of the Great Central Lake branch line, and the Port Alberni branch of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway connection is made by rail from the sawmill site to tidewater, the company having considerable waterfront trackage, so that communication may be readily made.

There are already several important lumber and fishing industries located on the Port Alberni waterfront, so that another industry will be welcomed. It is presumed that the objective is the off-shore trade.

Health Centre Reports Presented for November

Activities of the Saanich War Memorial Health Centre for November were reported to the board of management last evening as a total of 1,271 cases registered; nine new infants and five new older children. Twenty-three clinics were held, with 168 attending. Report on the educational work was made, as on work in the schools. There were three resident patients, with one discharged, it was shown.

Arrangements were made for the use of the grounds not already occupied by garden and grounds, on report from the grounds committee. Mr. Exton, of Glanford Avenue, has undertaken the work proposed.

In ordering the insurance of a car, it was suggested that one date for renewal of insurance for all cars would facilitate matters in this regard.

A donation was acknowledged from Mr. and Mrs. Y. Thorne, formerly of Royal Oak, in memory of a son. In accepting the gift with thanks, a committee composed of Meadames Campion and Hutchison was appointed to carry out the wishes of the donor.

Calgary Mayor Re-Elected

CALGARY, Dec. 15.—There will be no mayoralty election in Calgary tomorrow, Mayor G. H. Webster having been returned by acclamation. Ten candidates seek seven seats on the council. Seven candidates contest five seats on the School Board.

Man Found Dead

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—The body of Edwin Humphries, fifty-five, was found tonight hanging in the basement of an apartment house where he resided. The man left the hospital Sunday night and is believed to have become despondent because of ill health.

Body Identified

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—The body of a man floating in the harbor Monday has been identified as that of Anton Grzetic, who disappeared on November 13. He was a native of Jugo-Slovakia.

Crippled Ship Proceeds

CORDOVA, Dec. 15.—The steamship West O'Rowa today reported she was proceeding full speed after entangling an eight-inch line in the propeller last night. The West O'Rowa lost her rudder about two weeks ago when 2,200 miles out from Portland, bound for the Orient.

SILVER MARKETS

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Bar silver, 68⅜. Mexican dollars, 52⅛.

At London

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Bar silver, 31⅝d per ounce.

"This is an age of steel," said the after-dinner speaker.

"Permit me to suggest," interrupted the chairman courteously, "that for the benefit of the reporters present you spell that last word."

Magistrate: "You certainly committed this burglary in a remarkably clever way—in fact, with quite exceptional cunning."

Prisoner: "Now, your worship, if there's one thing I hate it's flattery!"



"I am sorry. I have broken my spectacles, and so I can't read the account. Call back with it in six months' time!"—Meggendorfer Blaetter, Munich.

Canadian Crops Show Big Gain Over Last Year

Wheat Yield Increases $146,483,000 in Value—All Harvests, Save Barley, Reveal Advance

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—Canada's wheat crop this year has an estimated value of $146,483,000 in excess of the final figures for the wheat crop of 1924. Total value of the wheat crop this year as given in the crop report issued today is $446,955,000. Last year the wheat crop was valued at $320,472,000.

For the whole of Canada the total value of the principal field crops of 1925, as now estimated by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, is $1,112,691,000. This is an increase of $117,455,100 over the 1924 final estimate of $995,235,990. In 1923 the total value of the principal field crops was $899,226,200.

Oat Crop Bigger

The estimated value of the Canadian oat crop for 1925 is given as $204,041,000, as compared with $200,688,000 in 1924.

The barley crop this year is valued at $57,565,000, or somewhat less than 1924, when it was valued at $61,760,000.

The value of the rye crop this year is given as $10,016,000, as compared with $13,678,700 last year.

The estimate for flax seed is $18,869,000, while last year it was $18,849,300.

Other grains which include peas, beans, buckwheat, mixed grains and corn for husking, have an estimated value this year of $43,043,000, as against $55,984,000.

The value of the potato crop this year is much higher than last. According to the estimate this year the potato crop has an estimated value of $86,560,000. Last year it was $47,956,000.

The hay, clover and alfalfa crops are valued at $180,055,000, or approximately the same as last year.

Wheat Second Largest

The report issued today states that the wheat crop of 1925 was the second largest on record, "and the average price of $1.11 a bushel, though less than last year's final average of $1.32, remains still 44 cents a bushel above the low record of 67 cents a bushel in 1923.

For British Columbia the total value of the five principal grains was $17,197,000. Last year it was $17,392,000.

"Rebel" Police Offered 2 Months' Leave on Pay

BELFAST, Dec. 15.—The government's terms to the Constabulary who have been disbanded and who are holding some stores of barracks as security for their demands for a bonus, were announced this afternoon by Sir Dawson Bates, Home Secretary. Sir Dawson said that the government had decided to give each of the officers and privates of "A" Constabulary two months' leave of absence on full pay and traveling expenses to their homes. These terms were final and any constables guilty of insubordination, he declared, would be subject to instant dismissal and forfeiture of these benefits.

Patent leather shoes which shine with a mother-of-pearl effect are being introduced in England for men.

CANADA

Warning to Users of Radio

All Radio Receiving Sets MUST Be Licensed

Penalty on summary conviction is a fine not exceeding $50.00

Licence Fee $1.00 Per Annum

Licences, valid to 31st March, 1926, may be obtained from: Staff Post Offices, Radio Dealers, Radio Inspectors, or from Radio Branch, Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa. The proceeds from licence fees are used to control broadcasting and to improve broadcast reception conditions

A. JOHNSTON, Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries

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People read newspaper advertising every day, and

People buy merchandise every day,

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If every day is a good day to try to sell goods, then

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Vancouver Island Egg-Laying Contest

Year 3—Weekly Report No. 6, Week Ending December 12, 1925

Conducted by the Dominion Experimental Station, Sidney (Registration).

(Owing to lack of space addresses will not appear on the weekly report.)

Pen	Owner	Breed	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Eggs Week	Eggs Total	Total Pts.
1.	L. Chaplin	B.R.	4	1	6	6	4	3	5	4	6	5	44	332	332.0
2.	C. G. Golding	B.R.	0	0	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	34	34.1
3.	M. S. Stephens	B.R.	4	4	0	2	5	4	4	5	0	5	34	164	139.3
4.	H. H. S. Cunningham	W.W.	0	5	5	4	5	0	3	5	4	5	47	345	194.7
5.	R. Percival	W.W.	5	0	5	5	5	4	0	4	4	4	41	282	247.1
6	Read & King	W.W.	5	4	5	4	3	0	4	4	5	2	47	244	226.0
7	P. G. Stebbings	W.W.	5	5	5	4	5	4	3	5	2	2	44	335	294.4
8	A. W. Woods	W.W.	0	5	5	0	4	0	3	2	5	4	30	145	117.2
9.	J. Thurgess	R.I.R.	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	218	*230.6
10	H. C. Cooke	R.I.R.	3	4	0	0	0	5	5	3	4	5	36	57	60.2
11	H. D. Reid	R.I.R.	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	41	43.0
12	A. Adams	W.L.	0	4	2	5	0	4	5	4	5	1	23	164	155.7
13.	R. E. Ault	W.L.	5	5	5	5	0	4	4	0	5	4	40	273	243.2
14.	W. Bradley	W.L.	4	4	5	5	4	5	0	5	5	4	51	309	247.8
15.	J. C. Butterfield	W.L.	5	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	5	0	30	265	274.6
16	J. J. Deegan	W.L.	4	4	0	0	4	5	0	0	5	5	49	272	251.7
17.	W. J. Douglas	W.L.	3	5	4	5	4	0	5	4	5	4	43	262	230.0
18.	A. D. Drummond	W.L.	5	5	2	0	3	0	5	5	0	5	30	130	185.5
19	A. Georgeson	W.L.	5	5	5	0	2	5	4	5	5	4	40	245	213.0
20.	C. G. Golding	W.L.	5	0	4	0	5	5	0	4	5	5	30	191	204.0
21.	W. J. Gunn	W.L.	5	0	4	0	0	3	5	4	0	5	30	202	166.6
22.	E. Gwynne	W.L.	0	4	5	2	0	5	4	0	0	4	42	262	190.1
23.	T. H. Hayward	W.L.	0	4	4	5	0	5	4	0	5	2	44	265	208.5
24.	W. P. Hurst	W.L.	5	5	5	5	0	5	0	4	5	4	47	323	219.3
25.	A. V. Lang	W.L.	4	0	5	4	4	5	0	0	5	0	41	265	194.0
26.	R. Mackenzie	W.L.	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	70	70.0
27.	A. D. McLean	W.L.	3	5	4	3	4	4	0	5	0	0	31	157	167.2
28.	R. F. Matthews	W.L.	5	4	4	4	4	5	4	5	5	5	41	244	216.6
29.	Experimental Farm, Agassiz	B.R.	7	0	0	5	0	5	5	7	0	0	42	165	130.7
30.	N. E. Paston	W.L.	0	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	25	127	89.2
31.	W. Robbins	W.L.	0	1	5	0	5	1	0	2	5	1	33	114	87.7
32.	O. Thomas	W.L.	4	0	4	5	3	0	0	5	5	5	45	289	274.7
33.	R. W. Tull	W.L.	4	5	5	0	5	5	5	4	5	0	49	362	321.4
34.	R. T. Vyvyan	W.L.	0	0	3	0	0	5	5	0	0	7	43	232	234.6
													1210	6832	6035.8

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Africa Maru Is Back From Far Eastern Ports

O.S.K. Liner Delayed by Stormy Weather—Cattle Shipment Arrives Safely at Shanghai

Arizona Maru Due Soon

Delayed more than thirty hours by heavy seas and a strong southeast gale, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Africa Maru docked from the Orient at 12:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The vessel discharged 100 tons of cargo here, while for Vancouver the ship had 350 tons of freight, including 5,000 bundles of oranges.

Mr. S. H. Hopkins, who superintended the shipment of forty head of cattle to Shanghai from Fraser River Valley, was among the passengers on board. He said that only one of the herd had died en route. The value per head on the arrival of the shipment at Shanghai was approximately $400.

The Arizona Maru, also of the O.S.K., is due here December 22, the local agents announced yesterday. The vessel has 150 tons of cargo for Vancouver, 100 tons of freight for Victoria, and 3,000 tons of general cargo for Seattle. There are sixteen passengers on board for Victoria, three first and eleven steerage for Seattle.

Fisheries Dept. Wins Test Case

Indians Must Recognize Regulations of Marine and Fisheries Department

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—For the first time in the history of Canada there has been a court decision on the powers of two Federal departments, that of Marine and Fisheries and that of Indian Affairs, to regulate fishing by Indians on their reservations.

Judge Cayley, in County Court, decided that a Fisheries Department regulation, which prohibited the catching a salmon, by other means than angling, was applicable to Indians and they were not exempted because the infringement occurred on their reservations. Dominick Charley, who had been acquitted in North Vancouver district police court of gaffing salmon on October 21, was convicted by His Honor, who imposed a nominal fine of $1. No costs were allowed either party, the appellant, Department of Marine and Fisheries, or the respondents, Dominick Charley and the Department of Indian Affairs.

Heretofore, it has been generally conceded that the Indians were in a privileged class for fishing, and they have been permitted to catch fish by methods which are barred to white men, on the assumption that they were providing food for themselves and families.

In future the Indians must comply with the regulations of the Department of Marine and Fisheries.

New Chemainus Mill Ships First Order On Ss. Skegness

EARLY resumption of logging and milling at the newly reconstructed Chemainus mill is indicated in the arrival of the steamer Skegness at Chemainus to load the first shipment of lumber to be sent out by the new mill.

Shipping Information

SUNRISE AND SUNSET

Time of sunrise and sunset (Pacific Standard time) at Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1925

DECEMBER

		Sunrise	Sunset			Sunrise	Sunset
1	....	7:44	4:51	17	....	8:00	4:19
2	....	7:45	4:51	18	....	8:01	4:18
3	....	7:47	4:50	19	....	8:01	4:19
4	....	7:48	4:20	20	....	8:06	4:50
5	....	7:49	4:50	21	....	8:06	4:24
6	....	7:50	4:20	22	....	8:03	4:21
7	....	7:51	4:10	23	....	8:03	4:21
8	....	7:52	4:10	24	....	8:04	4:52
9	....	7:55	4:10	25	....	8:04	4:53
10	....	7:53	4:15	26	....	8:05	4:53
11	....	7:56	4:18	27	....	8:05	4:54
12	....	7:58	4:19	28	....	8:06	4:26
13	....	7:57	4:18	29	....	8:05	4:58
14	....	7:58	4:18	30	....	8:06	4:57
15	....	7:58	4:18	31	....	8:06	4:53
16	....	7:59	4:16				

The Meteorological Observatory, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B.C.

TIDES AT VICTORIA

DECEMBER

Date	Time. H. M.	H't Ft.	Time. H. M.	H't Ft.	Time. H. M.	H't Ft.	Time. H. M.	H't Ft.
1 ..	7:16	6.3	9:16	6.6	13:41	5.5	20:14	1.4
2 ..	8:03	5.5	10:03	6.4	16:38	5.6	22:55	1.6
3 ..	8:58	5.6	11:03	5.3	13:36	5.3	23:51	1.5
4 ..	9:44	5.7	15:18	5.6	14:09	5.5	....	
5 ..	0:11	6.5	10:18	5.6	....		....	
6 ..	0:55	5.7	10:59	6.5	....		....	
7 ..	1:53	6.5	10:51	5.7	....		....	
8 ..	2:16	5.8	10:55	5.7	....		....	
9 ..	2:48	4.5	10:50	5.7	16:46	5.6	23:54	6.8
10 ..	6:14	6.5	11:09	6.7	19:57	4.9	....	
11 ..	0:14	5.0	3:56	5.6	11:30	5.9	19:08	4.6
12 ..	....		....		11:56	9.1	19:56	5.1
13 ..	....		....		16:14	9.4	20:06	5.5
14 ..	....		....		15:57	5.6	20:46	1.6
15 ..	6:08	7.5	7:53	7.8	16:01	9.8	21:35	0.7
16 ..	5:47	6.6	5:34	6.1	13:37	9.9	26:06	0.4
17 ..	7:35	5.4	9:58	5.3	13:57	9.8	22:44	0.6
18 ..	7:34	5.7	10:46	5.8	14:34	5.6	23:53	0.8
19 ..	5:53	6.8	16:05	6.6	16:18	6.8	....	
20 ..	0:16	1.6	5:51	5.9	13:58	7.7	18:06	5.5
21 ..	1:04	5.4	5:16	9.0	14:35	7.0	17:08	7.1
22 ..	1:54	6.4	9:45	9.0	15:58	6.1	20:56	6.5
23 ..	2:46	4.6	10:15	9.1	17:54	5.5	22:55	6.1
24 ..	6.57	5.5	10:59	5.5	16:02	4.6	....	
25 ..	....		11:04	5.5	18:58	5.4	....	
26 ..	....		11:53	5.4	19:56	2.6	....	
27 ..	....		11:56	9.6	20:36	2.1	....	
28 ..	....		16:25	5.5	20:58	1.7	....	
29 ..	6:53	5.7	6:08	5.6	15:47	5.5	21:15	1.5
30 ..	7:14	6.3	6:33	5.7	16:06	9.4	21:47	1.5
31 ..	7:43	5.8	9:47	5.5	16:53	9.6	22:55	1.7

The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water. Where blanks occur in the table the tide rises or falls continuously during two successive tidal periods without turning.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot, measured from the average level of lower low water.

Esquimalt—To find the depth of water on the sill of the drydock at any time, add 18.9 feet to the height of high water as above given.

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—Joseph E. Russell, former Independent-Conservative member of Parliament for East Toronto and former member of the Ontario Legislature for Riverdale, died here yesterday in his fifty-eighth year.

GULF ISLAND WINTER SERVICE

The Ss. Otter will leave Victoria 7:15 a.m. every Monday returning to Victoria Tuesday evening, and leave Victoria every Wednesday at 8 a.m. to Ganges Harbor, proceeding to Vancouver on Thursday and returning to Victoria Saturday afternoon.

Salvage King To Float Tug

Sea Lion's Stern Lies in Forty Feet of Water on Gillard Island Rocks

The Pacific Salvage Company's steamer Salvage King arrived at the scene of the tug Sea Lion wreck last night, it was announced by company officials at a late hour.

The Salvage King will make an attempt today to float the tug, which is owned by the Young & Gore Tugboat Company, of Vancouver.

The vessel was wrecked last Friday during thick weather in Euclataw Rapids. The ship struck a rock at the southeast side of Gillard Island and smashed her forefoot, causing a hole in the hull. She sank quickly, but her officers and crew managed to escape without difficulty. Captain Stolberg is standing by the ship, but the crew has returned to Vancouver.

As she lies now her stern is under forty feet of water, while her bow is out at low tide. Gillard Island is about 100 miles north of Vancouver.

Loch Katrine Due Here Soon

R.M.S.P. Liner Expected From United Kingdom Either Thursday or Friday

Bringing a shipment of Christmas supplies from the United Kingdom, the Royal Mail Steam Packet liner Loch Katrine is expected to arrive here either Thursday or Friday, according to advices received by the local agents yesterday. Owing to the stormy weather off the coast no definite time as to her arrival is available. The Loch Katrine has more than 100 tons of cargo for discharge here, while for Seattle she has 300 tons of freight. Outward bound the vessel will take out a capacity cargo, including a large shipment of apples, grain and copper. She will load 2,000 tons at Tacoma and 2,000 tons at Vancouver, topping off her cargo at other coastwise ports.

The Holland-American liner Moerdyk is en route from San Francisco, but will not come into Victoria, there being no local cargo on board. The Moerdyk will be followed to this coast by the Dinteldyk, due here January 4.

Weather Report

Prince Rupert—Rain; southeast, light; 29.65; 48; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Rain; southeast; 29.98; 84; sea rough.

Estevan—Rain, southeast; 29.98; sea rough.

Ss. Tyndareus and Australia Delayed By Southeast Gale

TWO transpacific liners are delayed by stormy weather off the coast. The Blue Funnel liner Tyndareus, with ten carloads of raw silk included in her 2,000-ton cargo, will not reach William Head quarantine station until 1 o'clock this afternoon, while the Canadian Pacific R.M.S. Empress of Australia will not dock here until late Thursday night. This latter vessel has twenty carloads of raw silk listed on her manifests. A strong southeast wind is blowing off the coast.

Straw Inspection Is Arranged For

Japanese Government Appoints Officials to Fumigate Straw-Packed Freight

In accordance with the negotiations between Canadian and Japanese authorities respecting the fumigation of all kinds of straw used in packing, the Japanese Government has appointed special officers who will fumigate cargoes previous to their departure from Japan.

These officers are authorized to issue certificates declaring that such cargoes have been duly fumigated.

Any cargo accompanied by such a certificate will be allowed to pass through Canadian ports without further fumigation.

The names of the officers appointed, which have been duly reported to the Canadian authorities, are: Hisayasu Tanabe, Kanagawa-prefecture; Masazo Katayama, Aichi-prefecture.

If any further appointments are made the Canadian Government will be immediately notified.

Firm Sues for $77,532

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 15.—Suit for the recovery of $77,532 from a number of Los Angeles men was filed in Federal court here today by the Iron Bark Exchange, Ltd., of Vancouver, B.C. The suit, the complaint sets forth, grew out of a transaction in which the plaintiff company contracted with the defendants to transport a "certain cargo from Shanghai, China, to a certain point in Mexico."

Flight to United States

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Star's Dublin correspondent says the Irish Free State air force contemplates a flight to the United States about next April. A seaplane with two officers will start from Cranmore Bay, Galway and the destination of the flight will be New York.

Doctors Were In Demand on Ruth Alexander

Medical Attention Given Passenger at Three Ports and Once at Sea En Route From California

Ship Delayed Six Hours

The Admiral liner Ruth Alexander was delayed in docking from California ports yesterday by a male passenger who required medical attention every twenty-four hours. The passenger had been attended to at San Pedro and was again given medical assistance on the arrival of the Ruth Alexander at San Francisco. The trip up from San Francisco to Victoria is approximately forty-eight hours and long before the voyage was completed the passenger was in agony.

The result was that Captain Cousins had to wireless for medical assistance. A small launch put out from Astoria in a heavy sea with a doctor on board. The man's complaint was attended to and the ship proceeded to Victoria, arriving here six hours late. Dr. A. C. Sinclair was called out at 2 o'clock yesterday morning to give further assistance to the man, who proceeded to Seattle, where another doctor awaited his arrival.

C.G.M.M. Ships Are Chartered

Southern Alberta Lumber Co. to Load Two Ships With Lumber for Florida

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—Adding two more vessels to the Florida fleet, the steamships Canadian Pioneer and Canadian Trooper have been chartered by the Southern Alberta Lumber Co., it was learned today. The vessels will carry cargoes of lumber from British Columbia to Florida. They were taken on private terms.

The steamship Cranely has been chartered, grain, British Columbia to the United Kingdom-Continent, 32s 6d, by Kerr, Gifford & Co., January-February.

The Ss. Rigi has been chartered on time, one trip, delivery in Australia, redelivery in Australia via North Pacific, 3s 10½d, by the H. R. Macmillan Export Lumber Company, spot.

The steamship Lariston has been chartered, grain, Columbia River to the United Kingdom, January-February.

Ship Is Returning To Port With Smoke-Stack Carried Away

BUFFETED by heavy seas while 200 miles west of Tatoosh, the British steamer Artemesia is returning to port with her smokestack carried away. The vessel is expected back in port some time today. She will proceed direct to Esquimalt. The Artemesia loaded a cargo of grain at Vancouver and cleared from Victoria for the Orient last Sunday.

Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—Suffering from carbon monoxide gas poisoning, the result of fumes from a heater, two women and a man from the Katrene Lingerie Store, Kerrisdale, are in Vancouver General Hospital, where their condition was reported to be improving today. The victims are Angus Mackay, his wife Catherine, the proprietors of the store and Mrs. Margaret McIvor, assistant to Mrs. Mackay.

Capital Levy In Spain Outlined

Premier Announces Details of Proposed Method of Balancing Country's Budget

MADRID, Dec. 15.—Revealing for the first time his plan for a capital levy of less than one per cent, Premier Primo de Rivero gave the details of the scheme with which he hopes to balance the budget. This, today, constitutes the most serious obstacle confronting Spain.

"My plan," said Primo de Rivera, "consists of the following:

"Every owner of real estate, country or city, as well as every industrialist, merchant, banking institution, mine owner or owner of transports, in fact, everybody who owns something, will be asked to declare voluntarily the value he places on his property, the goodwill, or the capital he has invested in the enterprise. The government will then fix a rate of taxation, which will certainly be less than one per cent. No tax will be imposed on earnings and profits, regardless of their size.

"In addition to this single tax there will be continued several indirect taxes, such as on lotteries, tobacco, customs tariff and stamps. The realization of this plan must be preceded by an official inventory of the national wealth."

King's Physician Dies At Age of Eighty-Three

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Sir Richard Douglas Powell, physician in ordinary to the King since 1910, and an expert on diseases of the lungs and heart, died today aged eighty-three. Sir Richard was physician to three monarchs, Queen Victoria, King Edward and the present King. He was one of England's greatest specialists in diseases of the lungs. He was a firm believer in suet pudding as an aid to recovery.

League Takes Stand Against Aggressors

Parties Violating Frontiers Must Pay Whether Right or Wrong, Geneva Rules

GENEVA, Dec. 15.—The Council of the League of Nations has created two important judicial precedents which will be of great significance in its future efforts to maintain world peace. First, it laid down the principle that reparation must be paid for the violation of territory without sufficient cause, even when the aggressor nation considers its action justified.

Second, it initiated a system for the appointment of neutral officers to preside over mediation along potentially dangerous frontiers.

These principles were embodied in the council's report of the recent Greek-Bulgarian border conflict which the Council liquidated, holding Greece guilty of violating Bulgarian territory and assessing reparations against her.

Greece Must Pay

Greece violated the Bulgarian frontier in the recent incident between the two nations and must pay reparations of thirty million leva (about $210,000), the League decided.

The council adopted a report by Sir Austen Chamberlain, of Britain; M. Hymans, of Belgium, and Viscount Ishii, of Japan. This report found Greece's invasion of Bulgaria unjustifiable, maintaining "the broad precepts that where territory is violated without sufficient cause, reparation is due, even if at the time of the occurrence it was believed by the party committing the violation that circumstances justified the action."

Bulgaria Pleased

SOFIA, Dec. 15.—The decision of the council of the League of Nations that Greece was at fault in the recent border incident and must pay reparations to Bulgaria has made a profound and favorable impression throughout Bulgaria. In every similar circumstance for many years Bulgaria has been obliged to pay. News of the council's decision arrived at an opportune moment for Premier Tsankoff, permitting him by announcement to quell a turbulent session of the National Assembly and obtain a vote of approval of the Government's policies.

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SEATTLE, Dec. 15. — Arrived: Mauna Ala, Paris Maru, M. S. Watson, Tacoma; W. R. Chamberlain, jr., San Francisco; Africa Maru, Kobe; Salina, Los Angeles; Ruth Alexander, Victoria. Sailed: Ruth Alexander, Cecilia, Northland, Tacoma; Richmond, Los Angeles.

TACOMA, Dec. 15. — Arrived: Mauna Ala, Honolulu; Northland, San Francisco; Santa Cecilia, New York, Ruth Alexander, Seattle. Sailed: Wilfaro, New York; Northland, San Francisco; Mauna Ala, Honolulu; Paris Maru, Yokohama.

PORTLAND, Dec. 15.—Arrived: M. S. Lema, Trieste, Kermit, Hamburg; Georgina, Baltimore; Ipswich, New York; Capt. A. F. Lucas, San Pedro, Willamette, San Francisco. Sailed: Eemdyk, Rotterdam; Sierra, Oregon, San Patricio, San Pedro.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—Arrived: Loch Katrine, Rotterdam; Matsonia, Honolulu; Orcus, Valparaiso; Buenos Ayres, L. Luckenbach, Bellingham, President Polk, New York. Sailed: West Jappa, Aberdeen, Chehalis, Admiral Dewey, Seattle; Admiral Fiske, Portland.

CORDOVA, Dec. 15. — Sailed: Alameda, southbound.

Arrived

DUNEDIN, Dec. 14.—West Islip, San Francisco.

MELBOURNE, Dec. 13.—West Cohokia, San Francisco.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 12.—Gyoko Maru, Portland.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 14.—Greetendijk, San Francisco.

HAMTON ROADS, Dec. 14.—Eagle, San Francisco.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Julia Luckenbach, San Francisco.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 14.—Shidzuoka Maru, Seattle.

Sailed

DAIREN, Dec. 13.—Atago Maru, Seattle.

GALVESTON, Dec. 15.—Herman Frasch, Portland.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15.—President Jackson, Seattle.

WIRELESS REPORT

Estevan, 8 P.M., Dec. 15.

D. C. Schofield, Portland for San Pedro, 208 miles from San Pedro.

Canadian Rover, San Francisco for Victoria, 188 miles from Victoria.

Mina Brea, Vancouver for San Pedro, 270 miles from Victoria.

Hokkai Maru, Seattle for Muroran, 5 p.m. 14.03 N. 134.09 W.

Waipapo, Sydney for Vancouver, 785 miles from Vancouver.

City of Victoria, Tacoma for Yokohama, 968 miles from Tatoosh.

C.G.M.M. MOVEMENTS

Canadian Freighter, Nov. 26, left Vancouver for U. K.

Canadian Highlander, Dec. 2, left Swansea for Victoria.

Canadian Importer, Nov. 30, left Antwerp for Vancouver.

Canadian Inventor, Dec. 9, left Panama Canal for New York.

Canadian Pioneer, Dec. 12, left Vancouver for Union Bay.

Canadian Planter at Vancouver.

Canadian Skirmisher, Dec. 10, arrived Avonmouth.

Canadian Ranger, Dec. 11, left Vancouver for Antwerp.

Canadian Seigneur, Dec. 7, left Panama Canal for Victoria.

Canadian Transporter at Vancouver.

Canadian Winner, Nov. 24, left Norfolk for London.

Canadian Coaster, Dec. 8, arrived Ocean Falls.

Canadian Farmer, Dec. 13, arrived Ocean Falls.

Canadian Observer, Dec. 11, left Astoria for San Pedro.

Canadian Rover, Dec. 12, left San Francisco for Victoria.

Canadian Trooper at Vancouver.

SHIPPING CALENDAR

To Arrive

Empress of Australia, from Yokohama, Dec. 17.

Kaga Maru, from Yokohama, Dec. 17.

President Madison, from Yokohama, Dec. 19.

Arizona Maru, from Yokohama, Dec. 21.

Toyama Maru, from Yokohama, Dec. 30.

President Jackson, from Yokohama, Dec. 30.

Arabia Maru, from Yokohama, Jan. 4.

Aorangi, from Australia, Jan. 3.

President McKinley, from Yokohama, Jan. 11.

I. . Maru, from Yokohama, Jan. 13

Empress of Asia, from Yokohama, Jan. 25.

To Sail

Niagara, for Australia, Dec. 16

President Grant, for Yokohama, Dec. 17.

Empress of Australia, for Yokohama, Dec. 26.

Africa Maru, for Yokohama, Dec 26.

President Madison, for Yokohama, Dec. 29.

Kaga Maru, for Yokohama, Dec. 31.

Arizona Maru, for Yokohama, Jan. 7.

President Jackson, for Yokohama, Jan. 10.

Aorangi, for Australia, Jan. 13.

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Empress of Russia—Due at Yokohama, Dec. 24; Shanghai, Dec. 28; Hong Kong, Dec. 31.

President Grant—Mails close Dec. 17, 4 p.m. Due at Yokohama, Dec. 29, Shanghai, Jan. 3; Hong Kong, Jan. 7.

Empress of Australia—Mails close December 26, 5 p.m. Due at Yokohama, Jan. 8; Shanghai, Jan. 13; Hong Kong, Jan. 16.

President Madison — Mails close Dec. 29, 4 p.m. Due at Yokohama, Jan. 10; Shanghai, Jan. 15; Hong Kong, Jan. 19.

Kaga Maru—Mails close Dec. 31, 4 p.m. Dues at Yokohama, Jan. 17.

Australia and New Zealand

Niagara—Mails close Dec. 16, 5 p.m. Due at Auckland, Jan. 4; Sydney, Jan. 9.

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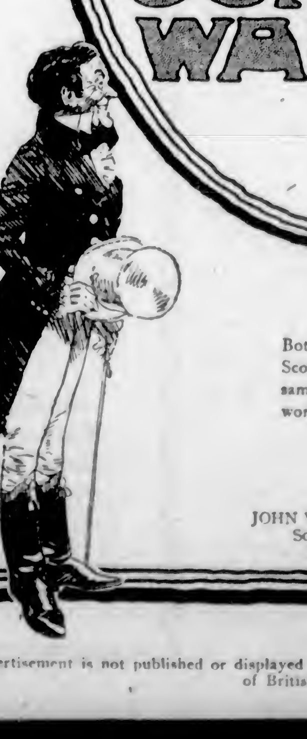
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Four Victoria Veterans' Units Urged to Lead

Tuberculous Body Wants Local Societies to Start Complete Unity Merger in Canada

New Officials Chosen

The Tuberculous Veterans' Association held their annual meeting and election of officers on Monday night in the club quarters, P. R. Brown Block, and resulted in the following being elected for the ensuing six months: President, Comrade C. J. Campbell; vice-president, E. Kean; Dominion representative, J. Waterston; secretary-treasurer, R. Smith. Five members were also elected to serve on the executive.

The retiring officers and members of executive were tendered a hearty vote of thanks for the splendid manner in which they have worked in the interest of the association. A brief survey of the association's activities was submitted by the officers. The Ladies' T.B. Committee and all other committees within the membership of the Victoria Women's Institute were highly praised for the valuable assistance rendered by them.

Comrade G. H. Sedger, "Soldier Advocate," was mentioned as a valuable asset by reason of the capable manner in which he had successfully adjusted many claims for pensions and treatment. Local women's organizations, and the general public at large, were complimented on their sympathetic attitude.

The question of unity was freely discussed by the meeting, and the following resolution was passed:

"That we strongly urge the four major ex-service organizations of Victoria to take the lead in bringing about the complete merger of all local ex-service bodies into one big branch of the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League."

Member Insists on Government Action

Call Made for Fulfilment of Promises Made Regarding Steel Company

The carrying into effect of the promises made to the Coast Range Steel Company in 1922 by Premier Oliver, to the effect that the British Columbia Government would guarantee equally with the Canadian and British Governments the bonds of the company to the extent of £800,000, is being insisted upon by Mrs. Mary Ellen Smith, who has filed a resolution to that effect in the Legislature.

After setting out the whole scheme, which includes co-operation with a group of ironmasters in Great Britain, who must first be satisfied that there is sufficient raw materials here, as must also the Trade Facilities Board of Great Britain, the resolution goes on:

"Be it therefore resolved that this House recommends to the Executive Council: 1. Representatives of the British ironmasters be invited to send to British Columbia their most eminent experts and engineers to make a survey of our ironstone, limestone, coal and other resources. 2. That the terms of the memo. of the Premier of August 4, 1922, be proceeded with and the necessary guarantees given at this session of the Legislative Assembly, the proposed Act to be so worded that no obligation is incurred unless the following conditions are fulfilled:

"Provided—(a) That the findings of such experts and engineers are favorable to the establishment of such a project.

"(b) The British ironmasters are prepared themselves to raise private working capital for investment in British Columbia at least equal in amount to £800,000;

"(c) The advisory committee (British Government) is prepared to proceed with its conditional guarantee of £800,000;

"(d) The Federal Government is prepared to proceed with a conditional guarantee of £800,000, one-third of amount required.

"(e) The above three conditional guarantees have equality of security."

Since the proposal was first advanced in 1922, it is stated, the Coast Range Steel Company has been put on new basis. Considerable money has been expended in prospecting and proving iron ore deposits.

It is now proposed that a bond issue guaranteed by the three Governments, amounting to £2,400,000, and that the British ironmasters who have charge of the operations of the proposed plant must also invest in cash a minimum of £800,000.

The site of the proposed plant will be near Vancouver.

Results of Provincial Examinations for Title Of Registered Nurses

The following nurses were successful in passing the Provincial examinations for title of Registered Nurse held throughout British Columbia in November, 1925. Sixty-six nurses passed the full examination and two supplementaries from May, 1925. The names are printed in order of merit:

Misses Tonkin (Vancouver General Hospital), L. Carson (Vancouver General Hospital), H. Codd (Kootenay Lake General Hospital, Nelson), C. Veysey (Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria), E. Jakes, A. Baird, M. Rhodes, G. E. Pontifex, D. F. Patchett, K. M. Gibson, F. F. Adler, E. D. Pearson, Edith Fry, A. L. Crowley, E. Innes, R. F. Clare, K. Robinson, G. Wilson (equal); E. Peters, M. Yonge, Mrs. F. Engley, H. Heilbauer (equal); A. Crisp, G. Buker, M. Hamilton, F. M. Wheatley (equal); L. Fortin, K. Flahiff (equal); A. Wylie, F. Bell, L. Cavanagh, M. Wellings, F. Moe, G. Lennox-Clarke, E. H. Bowman, B. McPherson, E. Loosely, P. D. Tevine, N. Loughren, M. B. Watson, C. Innes, D. Ellis, K. Dickinson, J. Little, J. L. Lee, E. Maxwell, E. Pinder, C. Ross (equal); J. E. Morton-Mardell, R. Harburn (equal); F. McNolty, A. Rolston, B. V. Graham, G. A. Adamson, M. Hyssop, E. Brown, M. S. Byrn, D. Cawley, E. Gozzana, A. E. Kudelka, R. Haslam, J. Cruickshanks, L. F. Charlebois (equal); J. Hoy, K. Morrison, B. Williamson.

Passed Supplementary Exam — Kathleen Gill, M. Lockwood.

Three-Quarters of Inch Rainfall Is Recorded Here

VICTORIANS who have grumbled at the rain of the past thirty-six hours will find a grain of comfort, perhaps, in the knowledge that, while the precipitation here has been .73 inch during that period, the total precipitation on the Lower Mainland during the same period has been 2.30 inches, according to statistics issued last night by Mr. F. Napier Denison, superintendent of the meteorological observatory at Gonzales Heights. Up to 5 p.m. yesterday the total December rainfall was 2.97 inches. The average for the month is 4.78 inches.

Changes in Taxation Act Are Introduced

Fifty Cents a Ton on Fish in Reduction Plants—Two Per Cent on Gold Mines

Reduction by fifty per cent of the tax on Crown granted timber; lowering of the tax on debentures from ten per cent to four per cent, and the collection of the tax from the bondholder instead of the debenture issuer, except when such debentures are held outside of the Province; establishing a $500 maximum for which exemption can be claimed for payment of insurance policies in respect to Provincial income tax; ten per cent reduction in the personal property tax except where the tax is less than $25; the placing of a tax of fifty cents a ton on all fish used in reduction plants producing fish meat and fish oil; the reimposition of the two per cent gold mining tax and the exemption from taxation of the first $5,000 production on small mineral properties.

Such are the changes to the Taxation Act introduced to the Legislature yesterday afternoon by Hon. Dr. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Finance. "The rates of taxation on income have been changed to implement the income tax reductions forecast in the Budget," stated the Minister.

In explanation of the proposals the Minister of Finance stated that at the present time the taxation on Crown granted timber was three per cent. This rate was fixed at a time when there was incomplete data on the areas, but complete cruises of the Crown granted areas had greatly increased the valuation, with the result that to continue the three per cent tax would be ruinous to the timber holders of Crown granted tracts.

Tax Rate to Be Cut

It was therefore intended to reduce the tax rate to one and one-half per cent. Owing to the increasing valuations, the reduced tax rate would in reality produce between $125,000 and $150,000 additional revenue annually from this source. "The change," said the Minister, "is generally satisfactory to the timber industry."

In respect to the change on debenture taxation, which, the Minister stated, was the subject of considerable adverse comment, he explained. "The claim was made that when there were no deductions allowed on account of this interest it added materially to the burdens of those who had borrowed money for productive enterprises and was hindering the development of new ventures. The proposal now is to revert to the conditions that existed prior to 1921 and collect the tax from recipients of the interest within the Province rather than from those who paid the interest on the borrowed capital.

"The additional provision is being made that where such interest is paid outside of the Province and where we are unable to tax the individual recipients, the interest is taxed in the hands of the corporation at the reduced maximum rate of four per cent; heretofore this interest has been taxed as high as ten per cent."

Reduction Planned

After explaining that the rates on taxation on income were being changed to "implement the income tax reductions forecast in the Budget," the Minister went on to explain that wealthy persons were taking undue advantage of the provision that up to one-sixth of an individual's income could be claimed as exemption from income tax if the amount had been paid for life insurance. In future this would be limited to $500.

"It is also proposed that there will be a general deduction of ten per cent granted from the amount of personal property tax payable, except where the tax is less than $25."

Referring to the fish meal and fish oil industry which, he said had been making rapid progress, the Minister said, "Up to the present the only tax that these companies have had to pay was the tax upon their net profits. Owing to the fact that they are utilizing our natural resources, it is proposed that they should be placed upon the same basis as the timber and mining industries and that they should be taxed fifty cents a ton for every ton of fish that they use in their manufacturing plants. This tax is similar in application and extent to the tax now imposed in the States of Washington and California."

Exemption Intended

In dealing with the change in gold mining taxation the Minister said that during the war costs of mining had greatly increased and all metals had correspondingly advanced with the exception of gold. In order to encourage the mining of gold those engaged in the industry were only taxed on their net income and were relieved of the two per cent. mineral tax. "It is now intended to reinstate the two per cent tax on gold mines—those mines whose ore is eighty-five per cent gold."

In order to encourage the small operator and induce the development of small properties, "it is proposed to exempt from the operation of the act the first $3,000 production of these small mines. This will apply to both quartz and placer mines."

Second Reading Given

Following a somewhat lengthy explanation of the taxation bill introduced yesterday in the Legislature by Hon. Dr. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Finance, second reading was given the measure last night.

Relative to new taxation on fish products, Dr. MacLean said that the bill called for the imposition of a tax of $1.25 a ton on fish meal and fertilizer, and one cent per gallon on fish oil. The two taxes were equivalent, he declared, to a tax of fifty cents a ton on fish used by the manufacturing plants, or on the raw product.

Second reading was carried without comment from the Opposition benches.

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—Children's Wear, 1st Floor



Brassieres at Special Prices

Bandette Brassieres, made of pink broche and silk swami, very short styles, back hook, with tape shoulder straps. Very neat and dainty. At **$1.25**

Bandette Brassieres, back-hook style of pink broche with tape shoulder straps. Nice quality, very reasonably priced at ..... **50¢**

Brassieres, made of lace and fancy pink cotton, back-hook style, medium length, with tape shoulder straps. Very dainty for Christmas gifts. At **$1.19**

All-Lace Brassieres, exceptionally nice and dainty for Christmas gifts, back-hook style, very neat fitting. Excellent values at..... **$1.95**

—Corsets, 1st Floor

Novelty Jewelry

Christmas Gifts That Please

Oriental Necklets of an opalescent character; shown in beautiful color combinations in choker or graduated styles. Priced from **95¢** to **$1.95**

Bead Necklets, in a large and varied assortment, graduated styles in shades of emerald, sapphire, amethyst, ruby, crystal, turquoise and amber. Priced from **75¢** to **$1.75**

Sterling Silver Bar Brooches set with semi-precious stones in very attractive designs, each one boxed for presentation. Each, **$1.95** to **$2.95**

—Jewelry Counter, Main Floor

Handsome Boudoir Gift Sets

These sets of toilet articles for the dressing table are the most popular as a Christmas presentation to milady. See the showing of complete sets in our View Street windows, and besides these we have in our Toilet Articles Section a great variety at all prices to suit your pocket. French Ivory Sets, brush, comb and mirror. All selected articles. Up from ..... **$4.50, $7.50** and **$10.50**

Manicure Sets almost any price you wish.

Fairfax Ivory Toilet Articles in separate pieces or complete sets.

French Ivory Clocks **$3.25, $4.50, $5.50** and **$6.75**

Men's Military Brushes

The best assortment in the city to choose from—tortoiseshell, French ivory, ebony and satinwood backs. At, per pair, **$1.50, $2.15, $2.50, $2.75, $3.75, $4.50, $4.75, $5.50, $6.50**

These can be fitted up in suitable gift cases if desired.

—Toilet Articles Section

Gift Gloves for Women

New Styles—Great Values



Novelty Kid Gloves, featuring the new flare and turn-back cuff styles. Some in the high color effects, others in the two-tone eyelet work design. A large choice, in all the popular shades. A pair..... **$2.50**

Gauntlet Gloves of fine quality chamois, in comfortable pull-on style, with elastic at the wrist; shown in white or natural. A pair..... **$2.75**

Hand-Sewn Washable Chamois Gloves, two pearl button fastening or slip-on gauntlet style, in natural and white with black stitching. Pair, **$3.75**

Reindeer Suede Gauntlet Gloves, in the popular slip-on style, with elastic at wrist. An English-made glove of high standard workmanship; shown in slate grey or sable. Pair, **$3.95**

—Gloves, Main Floor

Tricolette Over-Blouses

Special, Each $1.98

Tricolette Over-Blouses in two-tone effects or plain shades. They have short sleeves, round or V necks and in plain or fancy weave. All shades. Great value, each..... **$1.98**

—Blouses, 1st Floor

Indian Moccasin Slippers

Make Excellent Christmas Gifts

Women's Elk Moccasins, beaded trimming, fur or beaded collar. A pair, **$3.00** and **$3.50**

Women's Buckskin Moccasins, moose hair trimming with fur collar. Shown in 3 colors. A pair..... **$2.50**

Women's Grey Suede Moccasins with fur collar and bead trimming. A pair..... **$1.45**

Women's All-Black Fur Moccasins, best quality. At, a pair **$3.50**

Women's Hair Seal Moccasins at **$3.50** and **$2.50**

Children's Elk Moccasins, very superior quality. At, a pair..... **$2.50** and **$2.00**

Children's Grey Suede Moccasins, with fur collar and beaded vamp. A pair, **$1.00**

—Shoe Section, 1st Floor

Men's Forsyth Brand Royal Broadcloth Shirts, $2.95



Royal Broadcloth Shirts, every shirt guaranteed. Shades are cream, blue or white. They have soft separate collars to match, double soft cuffs and starch neckband. Shirts put up in presentation boxes. Special value this morning, **$2.95**

Men's Shirts—Each $1.95

Men's Fine Shirts in guaranteed brands; sizes 14 to 16½; broken lines, including printed reps, woven stripe zephyrs, woven Madras, silkoline, etc. Regular prices to $2.75 for, each **$1.95**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Men's Flannelette Pajamas A Suit, $1.65

Men's Soft Finish Flannelette Pajamas, pink, blue and grey fancy stripes; finished with silk frog loops and pearl buttons. Special bargain this morning at, a suit **$1.65**

Men's Pure Wool Sports Sweaters $3.95

Men's Heavy Knit Pure Wool Pull-Over Sports Sweaters, made with shawl collar that may be buttoned up to neck or worn turned down. Shades cardinal with black stripes around chest. On sale for **$3.95**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Christmas Cards

Christmas Cards from, each, **5¢** to ..... **35¢**

Comic Cards and Special Cards at ..... **5¢** to **15¢**

Boxed Christmas Cards for **50¢**

A Specially Good Value, Box of 21 Cards for ..... **90¢**

Very Good Cards, ten in a box, for **$1.50**

—Stationery, Lower Main Floor

Special Dainty Gifts for Men

Collar Bags, made to hold half-dozen collars; offered in grey and brown suede; some with stud pocket on side. Six dozen to sell this morning. A chance to secure a useful gift for a man for **95c**

St. George's Wire Arm Bands, gilt or silver finish. Regular 25c a pair. This morning **19c**

Silk Covered Wire Arm Bands, plain colors or fancy checks and stripes. Regular, a pair 35c, for **25c**

Elastic Web Braces, each pair packed in a neat presentation box. Special this morning, a pair **50c**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Men's Silk and Wool Socks, 85c

Men's Silk and Wool Mixture Socks, 6-and-1 rib; two-tone shades, reinforced heel and toe; five or six shades to select from. Special at, a pair ..... **85¢**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Gift Ties for Men

Two Special Values This Morning

Men's Narrow Silk Knitted Ties, patterned with fancy stripes on a dark ground. About five dozen to clear. Regular price, each $1.00, for ..... **75¢**

Men's Silk Ties with wide ends, all new patterns and designs. Each tie put up in box for presentation. Special values this morning at, each ..... **50¢**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor